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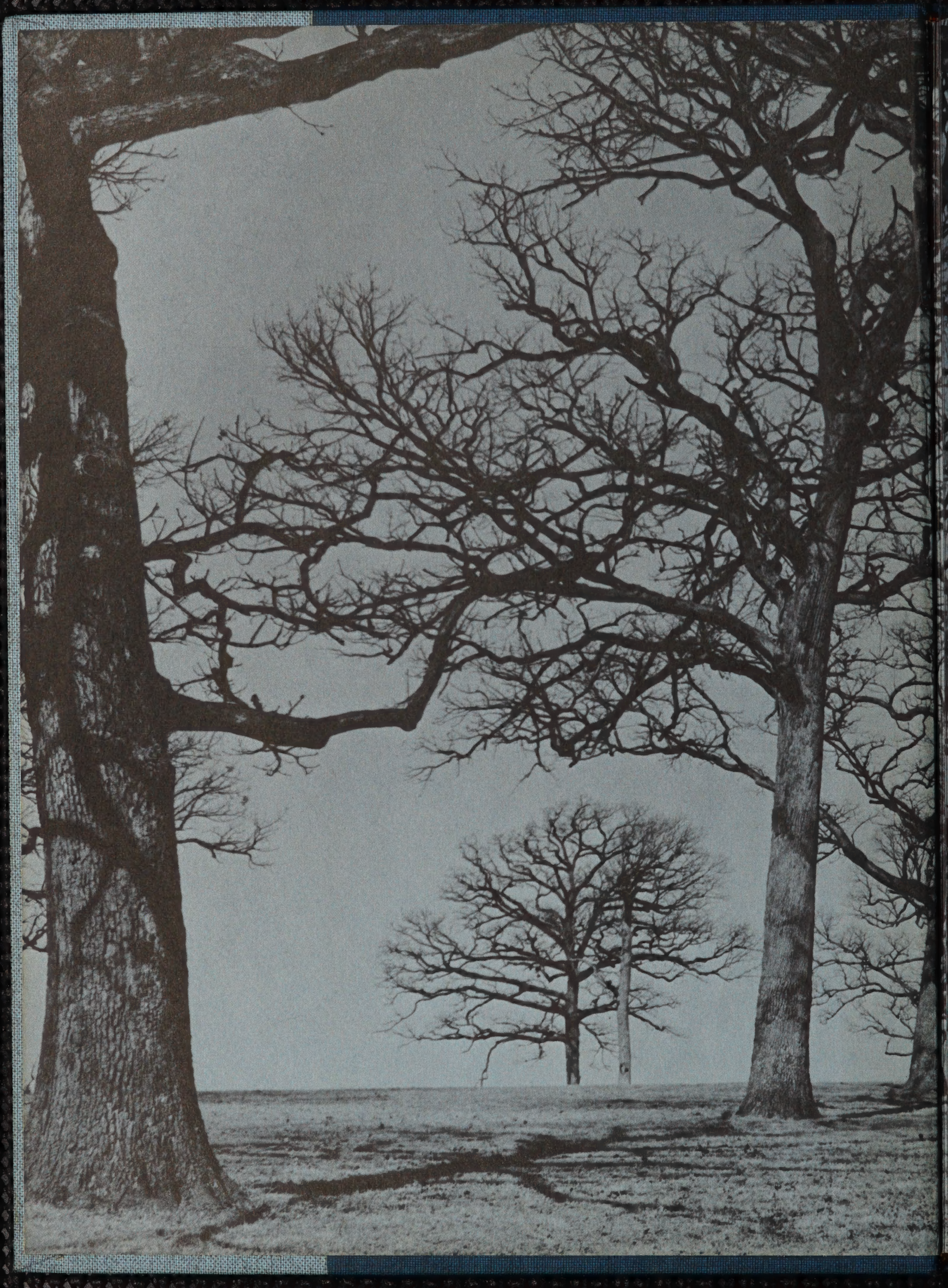

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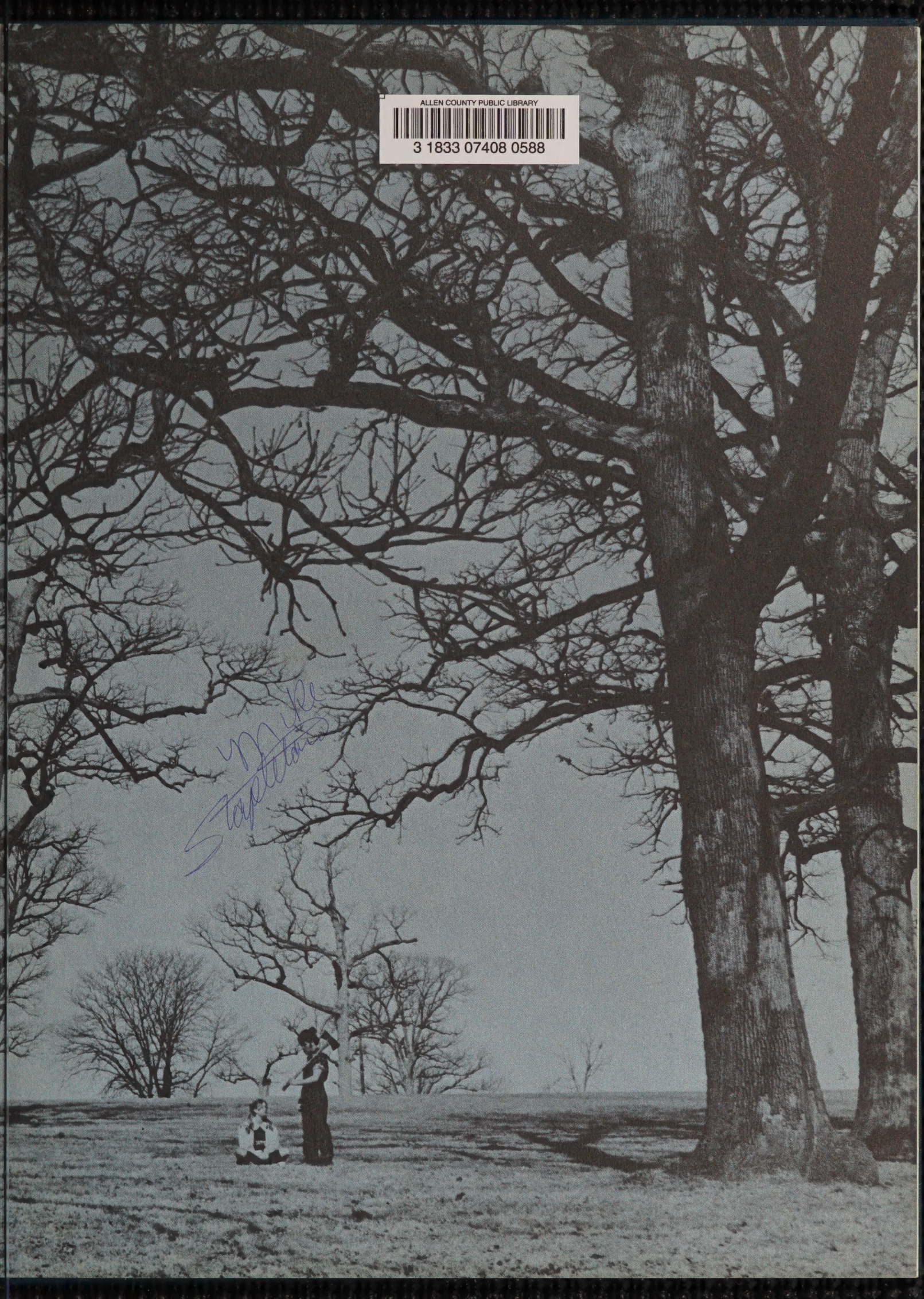

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Art Pfaff receives Cambia dedication

The *Cambia* staff, in appreciation for his service to the North Kansas City School system since 1952 and his outstanding leadership at Oak Park High School, proudly dedicates the 1970 *Cambia* to Mr. Art Pfaff. Finding a man so deserving the staff honors a member of the Oak Park staff with a dedication for the first time.

Before Oak Park was founded, Mr. Pfaff worked at North Kansas City High School as typing teacher, a football, basketball, and track coach, as well as serving as Northtown's student council sponsor. In 1962 he was vice principal at Maple Park Junior High and in 1963, vice principal at Antioch Junior High School.

When Oak Park opened in 1964, Mr. Pfaff became a member of the administrative staff. Serving in the capacity of associate principal, he has been instrumental in helping to formulate the traditions and character of Oak Park. He was on the committee selecting the school colors and Northman mascot. His efforts helped enable Oak Park to receive accreditation from the North Central Association of Secondary Schools during its first year, a feat the majority of new schools fail to accomplish. He had the trying responsibility of scheduling Oakie athletic events as well as school activities, and during the past year, through his many extra hours of work co-ordinating pupil and teacher desires with the mechanics of a computer, he helped move Oak Park into modular scheduling.

He is not only an efficient educator and capable leader but displays his ability to be a concerned and interested friend to the students.

When the student first entered Oak Park, he felt like just a small fraction of a mass of human beings, as a single leaf does among the many thousands of other leaves on the tree. He received a computer prepared schedule with the complicated symbols designating the times and places of his classes, and was surrounded by bright colored signs explaining when mods began and ended. For all the students, especially the sophomores, the modular system, the many new people, and the whole concept of high school life was somewhat overwhelming and bewildering.

To sort out this myriad of confrontations, much time was needed for solitary reflection which could be done while walking alone through the snow or merely viewing nature silently. Studying quietly, the lone student, with his book and only the autumn sun for light, would find himself in another world. During these first weeks, the student found time to find himself.

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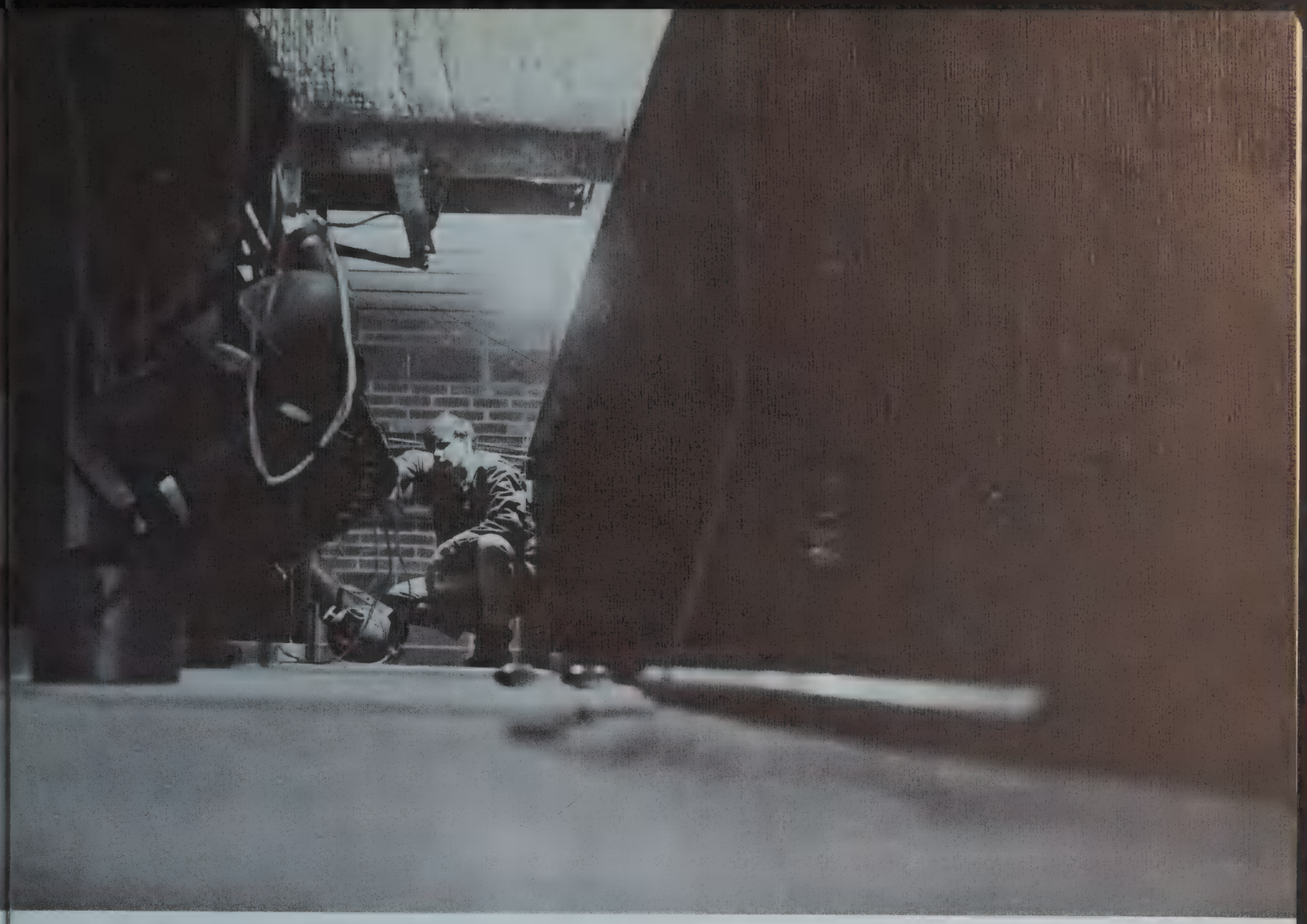
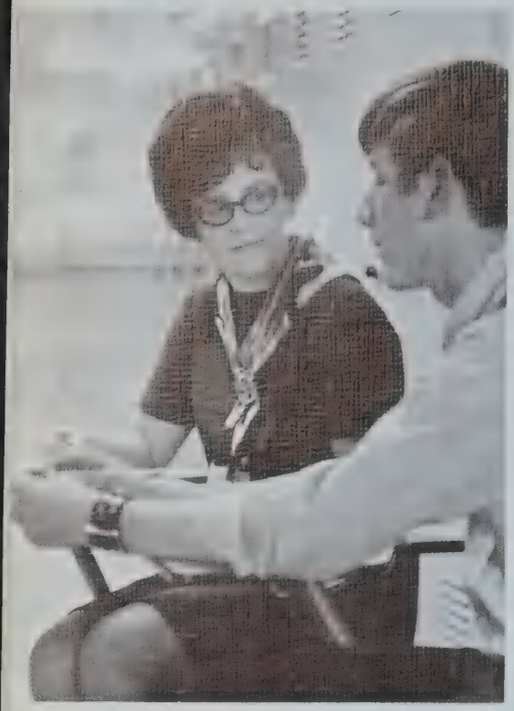
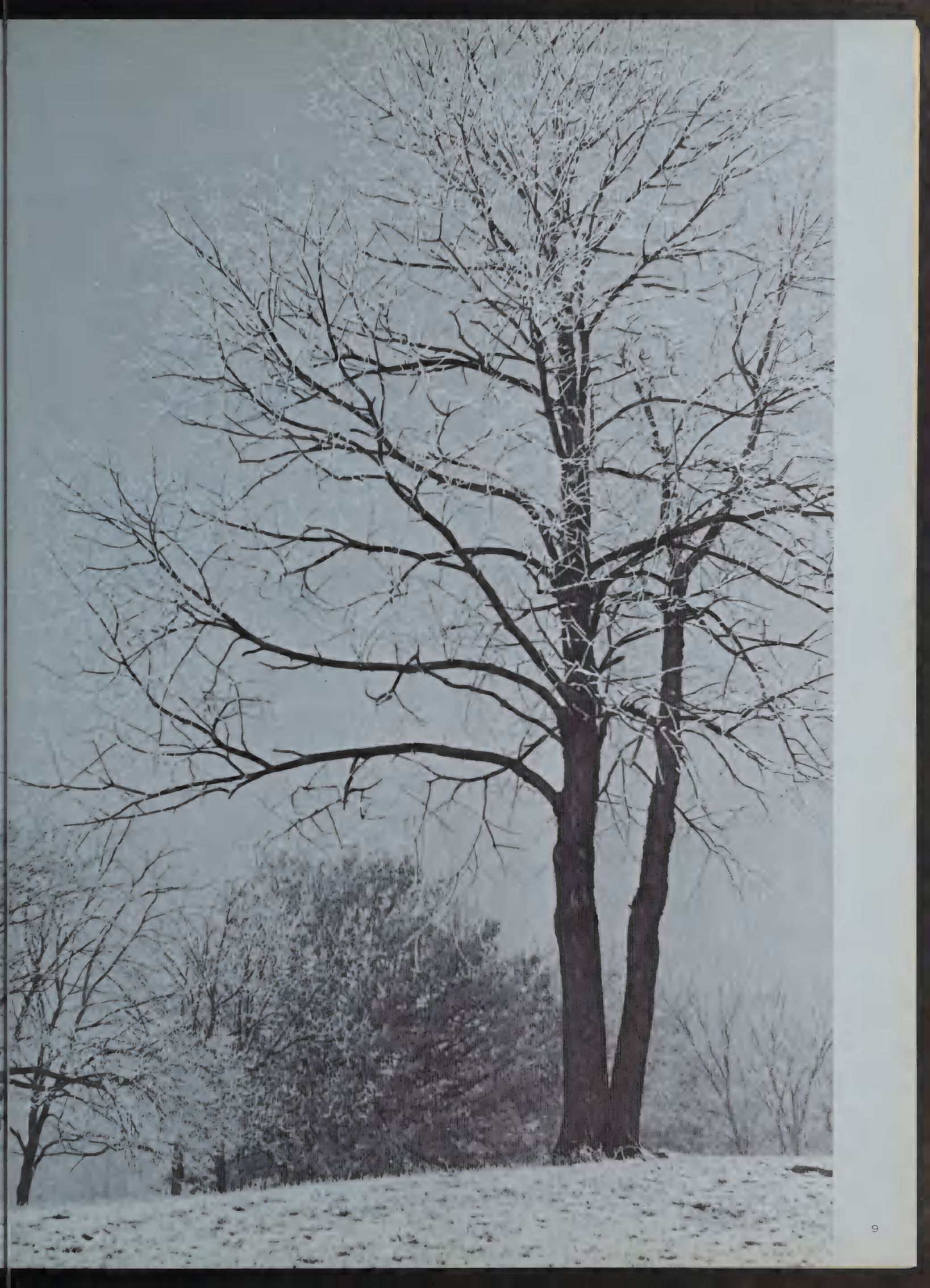


Gradually he began observing others and developing at least a reserved interaction with those around him. Watching, listening, and communicating without words began to result in a fuller understanding of the interaction of man with other men. Learning the ins and outs of high school life, as well as life with others, was accomplished by silently viewing life from afar. Nonverbal communication often accomplished as much as verbal in this stage of development. Still, however, the student often returned to himself and possibly a meaningful record to rediscover his feelings about the life going on around him.



Retaining some shyness about entering into the crowd, the student sought out one other to whom he could speak and talk about his life. Finding each other, yet keeping to themselves, they obtained the initial security needed in the evolution from one by himself to two together. A growing one-to-one relationship emerged as student and teacher became acquainted, and slowly, but surely, the student began to seek out others with whom to converse and to live life.



As the year progressed, one became accustomed to the bustle and chaos of changing mods and the cafeteria rush. After discovering the uses of the media center, the resource centers, and the conversation areas, the student adjusted and felt a part of Oak Park. Contributing to the feeling of belonging, the weekly class, sophomore orientation, aided the sophomores in learning about school organizations and classes.

Encouraging companionship and friendship among students and teachers, extra-curricular events offered the opportunity for becoming better acquainted with other members of the school. Clubs, athletics, intramurals, and after school help in studies were a few of these profitable activities.

Even though feeling himself to be an Oakie, the student needed to exert his individuality. The pride and security of being one of the Northmen became important, but so did the individual's right to be his own person. This right remained intact as he found each person had his own specific personality, talents, and ambitions. He comprehended the fact that, as in a tree each leaf contributes to the beauty and grace of the whole being, he, too, was an integral part of the life and success of the school year. During the time of conversion from a loner to an active participant, one decade was ending and a new age beginning. Changes, not just in educational methods, but in areas of social practices and hair and dress styles evolved for students and faculty alike. For example, the mini and maxi skirt appeared on the Oak Park scene while wigs, wiglets, and long curls spiced hair fashions. The males, not excluded from the transition of styles, grew long side burns, mustaches, and beards. Music brought its message for progress, change, and the betterment of society. Songs from groups such as Simon and Garfunkel and the Beatles underwent analysis in a special class developed just for that purpose. The Oakie was now one of many involved in making school active and alive; yet he had recognized that his individuality, like a snowflake, though one of many, differs from its neighbor.

Even as the oak tree changes with the seasons and environment, so does the student. Expressions of this change evolved in a variety of ways. Innovative teaching techniques involving various sized groups from possibly 500 for lecture periods to 15 for discussion groups developed. Unscheduled mods gave the student the opportunity to explore the studies and interests he desired and to be creative. Some teachers, realizing the need for creativity, would often allow class to be held in the courtyards or in the park near the school. This informality often led to more fruitful discussions than the enclosed classroom would have encouraged.

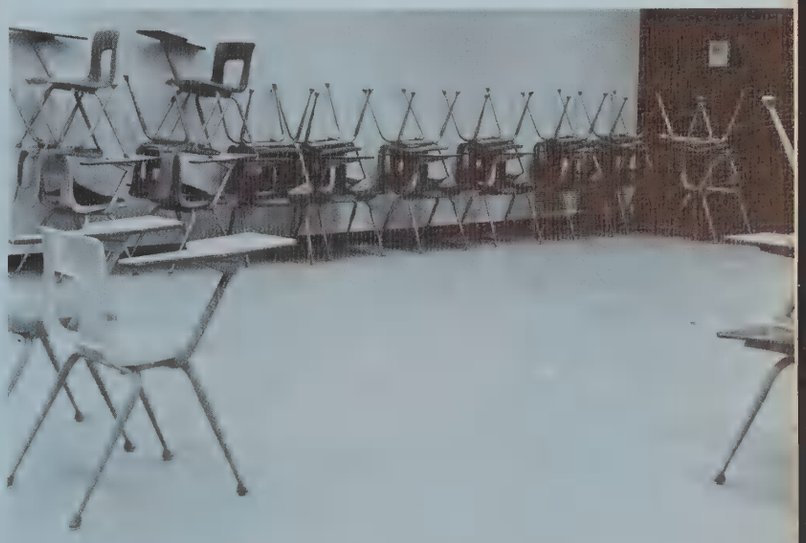
With the more alert young people, the growth of one student toward his involvement with others went further than the average person. Politics and social problems affected the school in several ways. The Moratorium and the death of Dr. Martin Luther King were acknowledged by many students, Discussion groups in family life, contemporary issues, history, and other courses provided a chance for the involved individual to become more well-informed as well as a chance to express his opinion and ideas on life.

Concerned not just with life at school but life and death occurring around the world from war, the destruction of nature, and man-made threats to our ecology students worked avidly to do their best to correct these tragic sides of life. In honor of those graduates who died in the Viet Nam war, a plaque inscribed with their names was presented in a ceremony. Tornado destruction rampaged through the Oak Park woods, leaving behind a scarred memory of the place the living had been. Not only death and destruction spurred the involved student, but the environmental hazards to be confronted in the future stirred many to action.

The evolution of the student from the solitary person contemplating life to the involved student interacting with life in and outside of his immediate surroundings, was one of trials and errors but also learning. Learning to accept tragedy and to believe in a better future, gave hope to many students for a life full of happiness and peace.

The future, now only a misty picture of time, has always been an era of revelation and surprise. Once considered an impossible feat, man landed on the moon for space exploration. Because the impossible occurred, a new incentive to strive for a goal one normally would abandon opened a field of thought for many. Peace and communication, seemingly impossible concepts, were sought during the sale of the A.F.S. Bells for Peace. Even though from foreign lands, the students could get together and sing about the peace and understanding of which they dreamed.

Though the students are gone now, the memories of friends, teachers, and the wisdom obtained will never be erased. In viewing the somewhat hazy future, one must remember the past. Throughout this book, it is hoped memories will be refreshed and a belief in a happy future renewed.

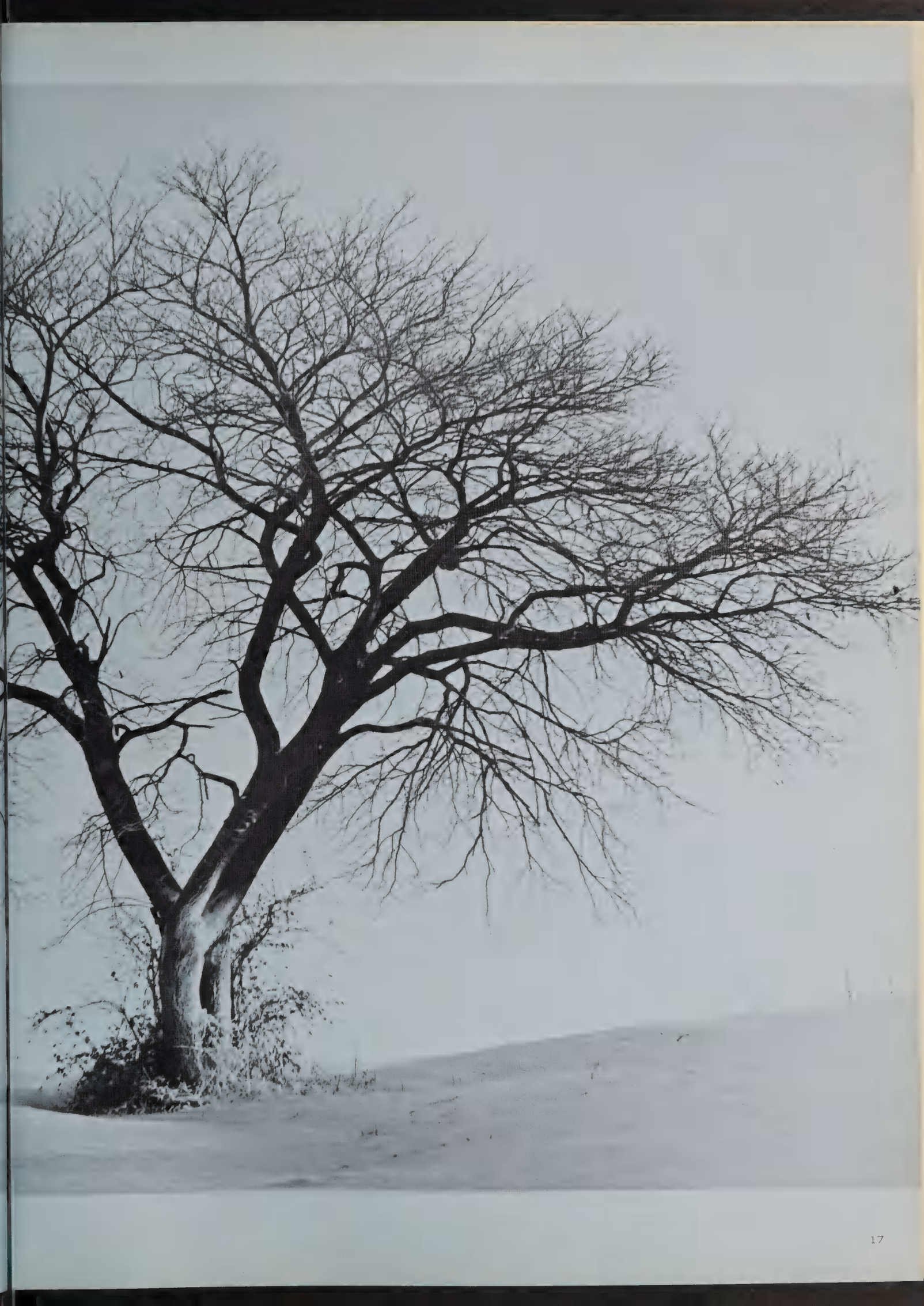


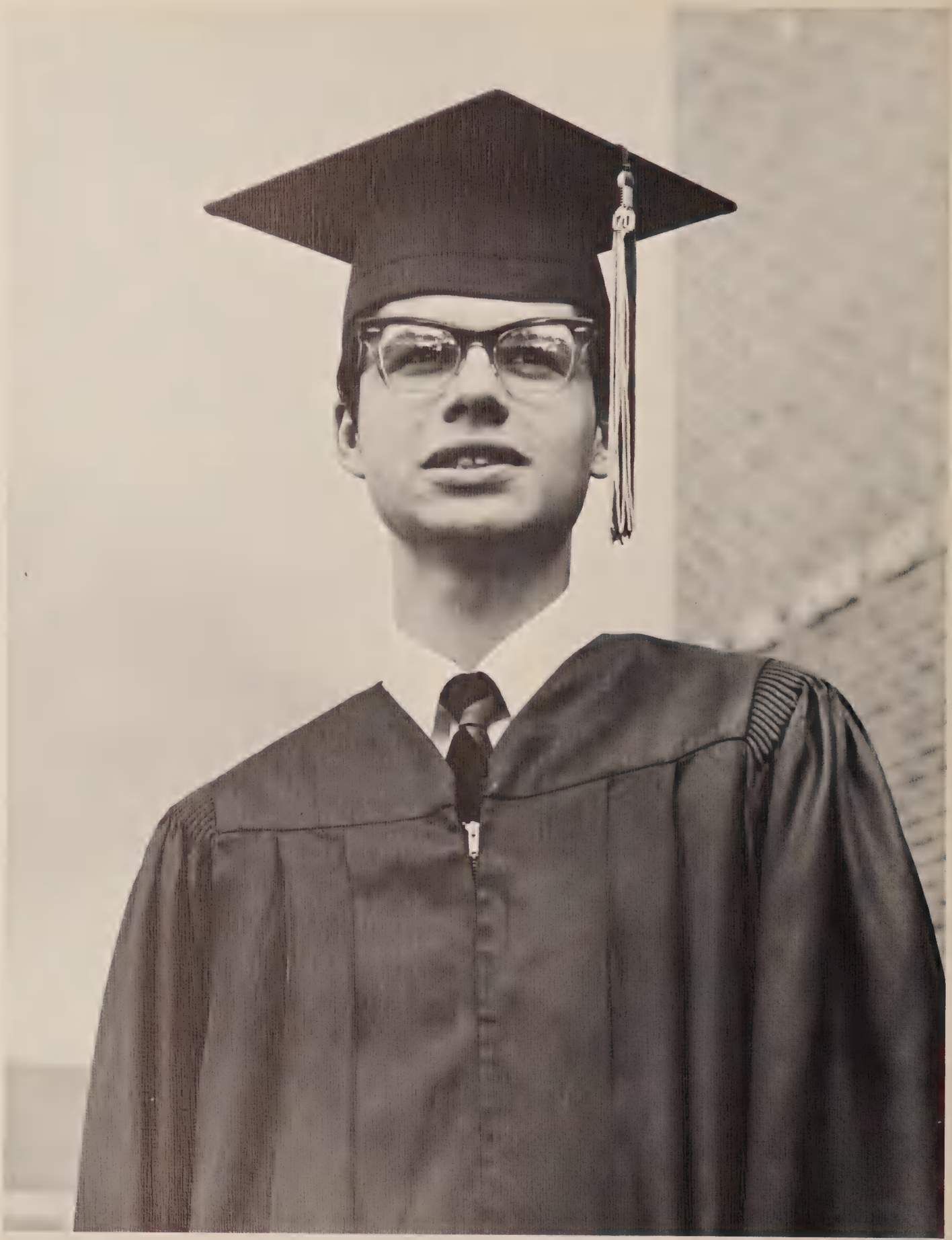
Seniors face future boldly

Facing their last year of high school life, the seniors ran a gambit of emotions. During the first few weeks, the students from all the classes were in the same confused boat as they experienced the advantages and adversities of modular scheduling. As the year progressed, the upperclassmen realized the necessity for planning their future after graduation. Frustration and optimism marked consultations with counselors where questions came up about scholarships, applications, jobs, and graduation credits.

As the oldest class, the seniors held many prominent positions in clubs and class discussions. Many seniors devoted free time to being teacher's assistants or library and office workers.

The main moneymaking projects for the class, the senior class play and the senior class Grin-In contributed to the money needed for the senior class gift. As minds turned towards the future, the year progressed quickly bringing graduation and senior week. The seniors departed from the school with mixed feelings of sadness at leaving long time friends, and optimism for their future plans.

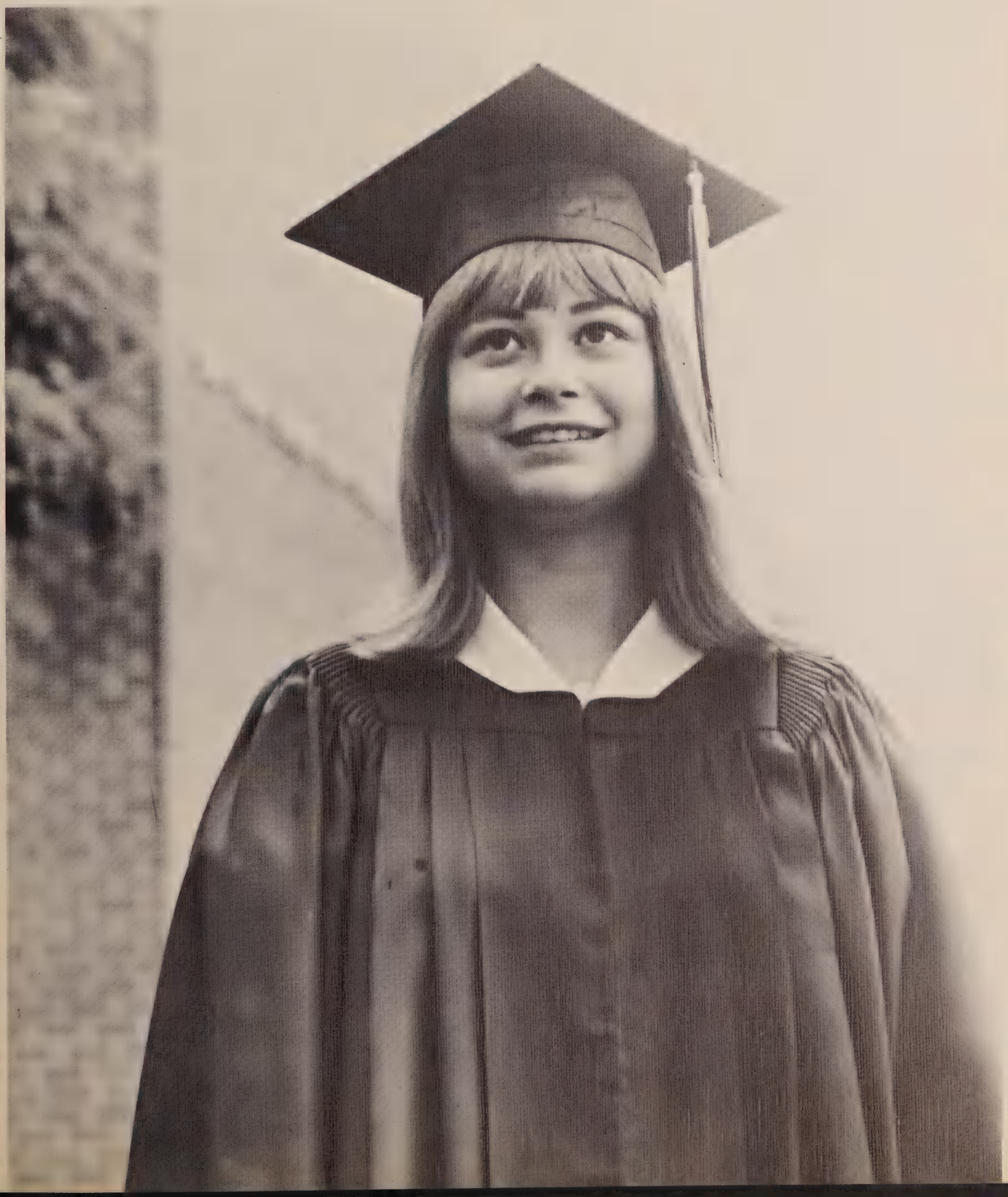




Valedictorian Jack Beers and Salutatorian Linda Sanders contemplate their promising futures.

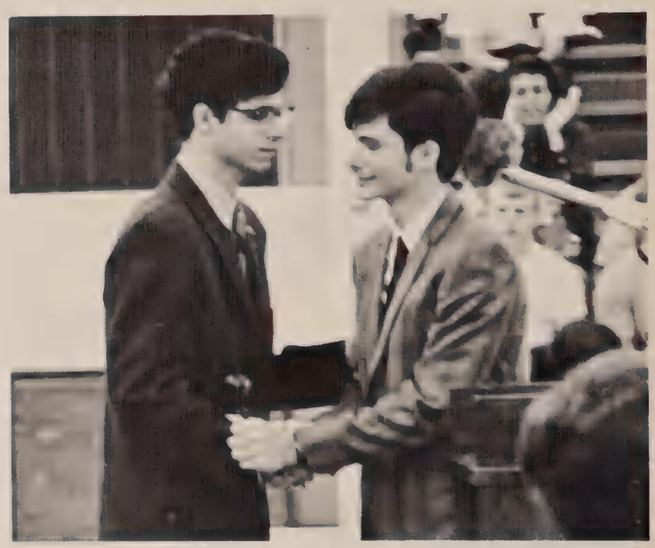
Scholars attain academic honors

Valedictorian and salutatorian accolades went to Jack Beers and Linda Sanders. During four years of high school, these students attained the highest grade point average in their graduating class. In addition to their academic achievements, they also demonstrated their leadership abilities in Student Council, Junior Achievement, Tri-M, German Club, and other school-oriented activities.



Dr. Richard Hall accepts the Big Blue Award in the awards assembly.

Jack Beers transfers the gavel to next year's Stuco president, Glenn Stout.

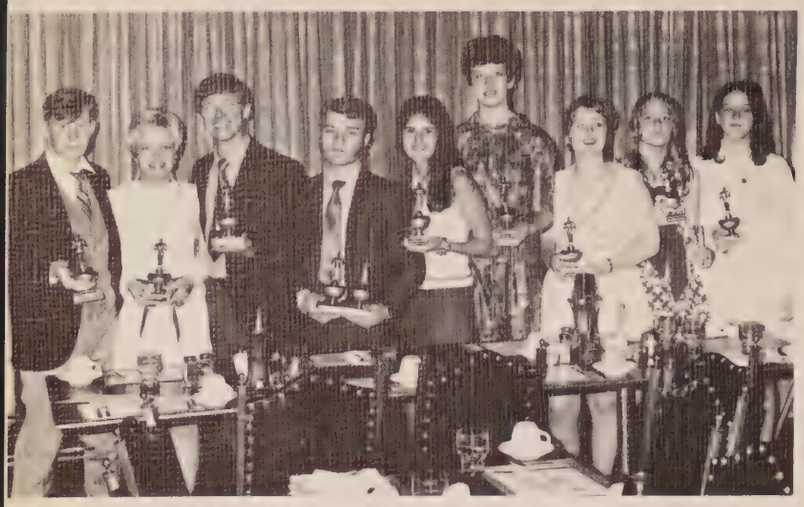


Susan Whitlow, chosen as Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow in Missouri, displays her plaque designating the honor.

Ray Smith and Jocelyn Thomsen, Mr. Norman and Miss Norma Northmen, rest on the bookshelf containing their chosen books.

Students honor eminent persons

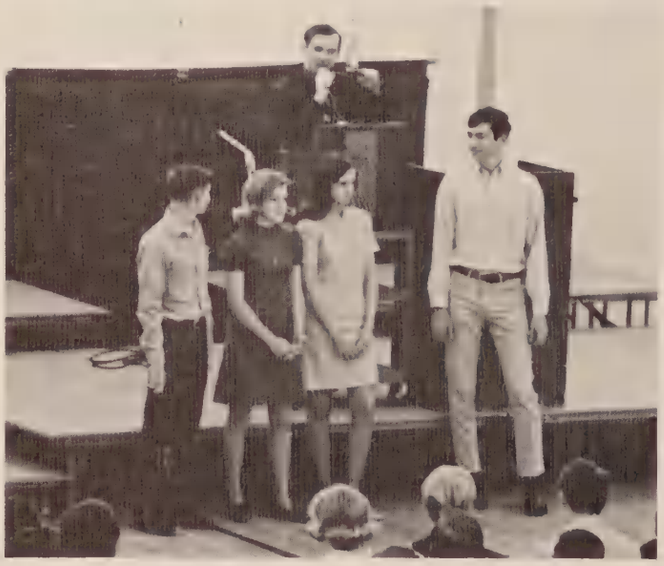
A Big Blue Award, given to a person in the community who has contributed greatly to the school, went to Mr. Richard Hall for his medical service to Oakie athletes. Another honor given by the senior class for school service was the Mr. Norman and Miss Norma Northmen award where the students chose a favorite book for the library. State honors came to Susan Whitlow for her homemaking talents and ideas. The assembly was also the place for the transfer of Stuco leadership from Jack Beers to Glenn Stout.



Wayne Cope, Pam Crawford, John Elliot, Jerry Bell, Susie Stehnicky, Nan Hays, Susie Day, Sandy Bauman and Jamie Evans display drama trophies awarded to them for outstanding work.

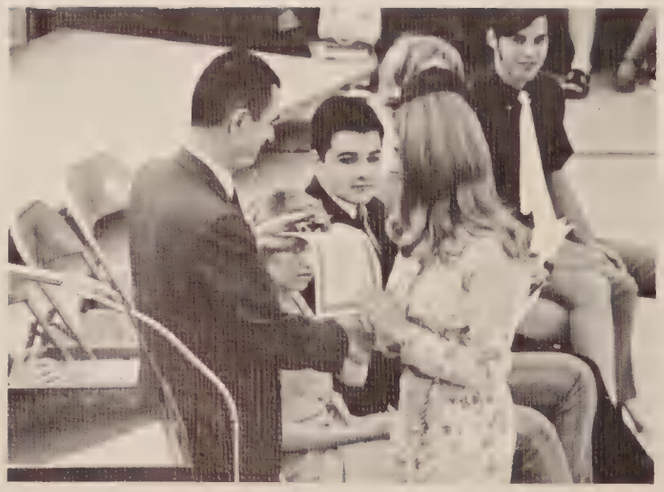
Students honor fellow classmen

The awards assembly, a time of recognition for seniors, served as a closing to twelve years of learning and growing. Oak Park was fortunate in that a variety of scholarships were available. Seniors received honors and scholarships from language clubs, private organizations, and many other groups including debaters and homemakers. Besides monetary awards, other students obtained acknowledgement for leadership, instrumental and vocal ability, as well as artistic, journalistic, and oratorical talents.



Mr. Lynn Blair presents journalism awards to Wayne Cope, Debbie Grantham, Anita Parvin, and Bob Smith.

Art students receive awards from Mr. Barry Kennedy and Mrs. Jo Anne Kreighbaum.



Mr. James Chandler awards Brenda Cox with the best orchestra member certificate.

Lee Messenger accepts a congratulatory handshake and the John Phillip Sousa award from Mr. James Chandler.

Pam Klingele, Jerry Short, Glenn Stout, Les Weaver, John Anderton, Tom Hankins, and Daryll Waas applaud their fellow debater, Jamie Hash, as he receives his award from his coach, Mr. Russell Usnick.

Debbie Guthrie and Ray Smith, recipients of the "I Dare You" award for leadership, examine the book they received from the Danforth Association.

Recipients of the Kansas City Star scholarship, Karen Gercken and Melody Martin, examine their benefactors publication.

Community helps win scholarships

Variety marked the awards won by Seniors. The great diversity of activities, interests and talents became emphasized as Seniors were recognized. Scholarships offered by clubs, businesses, colleges, and international organizations showed community interest in the advancement of education.

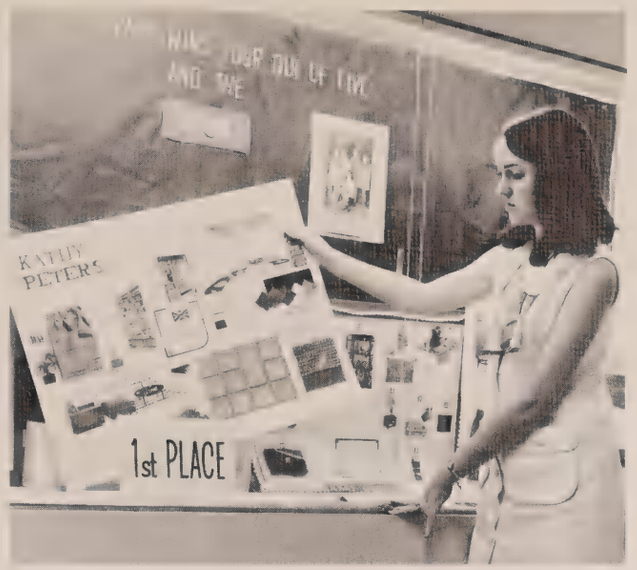
The Americans Abroad division of AFS gave two Oakies the opportunity to study in foreign lands. Richard Reed was the first student from this area to be a guaranteed year finalist. This rating meant that Richard would spend a full year living with a family in another country. Cheri Wilson achieved the status of finalist in the summer program.

The *Kansas City Star* set an example of the many scholarships offered by individual businesses. Melody Martin and Karen Gercken as recipients of this scholarship received twenty-four hundred dollars to the college of their choice.

School clubs strove to aid deserving members of their organizations by presentation of monetary gifts. Language clubs, Tri-M, and Drama Club all worked hard to earn money for these scholarships.

LaRu Klang accepts her scholarship to Christian college, while below, Nancy Crane receives the French Club scholarship.

Oak Park is honored for the fourth consecutive year by Jack Beers' win of the top chemistry award in Kansas City.



Kathy Peters designs a first place home and wins the Miss Living award from the Home Builders Association.

Cheri Wilson and Richard Reed, Oak Park students chosen to study abroad, pin point their future homes.

Adriana Genta and Charlene Lassiter pause in Adriana's favorite room, the art room.

AFSers adopt Oak Park living

Adriana Genta, known as Andy to her friends, traveled to Kansas City from Montevideo, Uruguay. This AFS student spent ten months with Charlene Lassiter. Adriana became a true Oakie by her eager participation in many clubs and activities. She was active in AFS club, art club, "Oklahoma" pep club, and student council. Her bright smile and easy laugh was an asset to any club. Adriana planned to pursue an interest cultivated by her stay in the United States by studying art upon her return to Uruguay.

Redheads were popular at Oak Park with the coming of the foreign exchange student, Per Wahlstrom. Per lived with the Rex P. Miller family and his brother Randy who was also a redhead. He devoted much time to AFS activities at Oak Park and other area schools, and participated in foreign language clubs, Student Council, and the tennis team. One more year of high school awaited Per when he returned to his hometown Finspong, Sweden. He then planned to begin law studies in college.

Sweden's Per Wahlstrom and his brother, Randy Miller, relax on the Oak Park campus.

AFS student, Jose Gonzalez, views Oak Park grounds with his American brother, Mike Howell.

Eva Perko from Switzerland and Diana Jackson select reading material from Oak Park's library.

New Oakies enliven student activities

Jose Gonzalez, the Northmen's answer to Don Quixote, comes from Madrid, Spain. Jose lived with the Dr. John Howell family and his American brother Mike. Jose quickly became involved in Student Council, tennis, and AFS. Jose helped the Spanish classes with the preparation of lessons and presentation of speeches. He was known to many a perplexed student by his ready answer to a trig or physics question. These courses helped Jose prepare for his future career in engineering.

Fresh off the slopes of Zurich, Switzerland came the AFS student Eva Perko. Eva was introduced to American life by her "sister" Diana Jackson. Activities such as pep club, student council, German club, and AFS soon filled Eva's free time. Even with her busy schedule Eva found time to study. Her favorite courses included A Cappella and English. One of the highlights of Eva's stay was a visit by her parents from Switzerland.

Seniors reflect different attitudes during Baccalaureate services.

Students stand tall as parents snap pictures in the courtyard before baccalaureate.

Rev. Bell delivers senior challenge

Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance" once again heralded the entrance of Oak Park's graduating seniors for the Baccalaureate services, held in the Oak Park gymnasium on May 17, 1970. Ray Smith offered the invocation, after which Debbie Wakefield read the scripture passage. Dr. Dan Kahler introduced the speaker, Rev. Robert Bell, pastor of Fairview Christian Church, who gave the Baccalaureate sermon. Under the direction of Mr. Bill Grace, A Cappella sang "The Last Words of David," and Greg Wells offered the musical benediction by singing "You'll Never Walk Alone."

Ray Smith gives the invocation, *below,* and later, *left,* Rev. Robert Bell delivers the sermon.

Parents and friends of the senior class listen to the A Cappella choir.

At left, seniors check hats, tassels, and robes to make sure they are in place before, *right,* they solemnly file into their places for the ceremony. *Below,* Mr. Bill Grace leads graduating seniors in singing the alma mater for the last time.

Board member, Richard Mattox, presents a diploma to his daughter, Debi, while board member, Mr. Don Ewing, shakes the hand of Debbie Wakefield as fellow graduates look on.

Linda Ewing accepts her diploma and a congratulatory handshake from her father, Mr. Don Ewing.

Graduates say final farewells

Commencement exercises, the final organized activity of the 1970 senior class, were held at Oak Park on May 29, 1970. The gymnasium was filled to capacity, but closed circuit television in the Main and Little Theatres allowed more friends and relatives to view the proceedings. Seniors, after entering to Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance," remained standing for the invocation, given by Karen Lewis. Gene Meyer then presented the senior gift, a $300 donation to the American Cancer Society, accepted by Senator Charles Broomfield. A Cappella Choir, led by Mr. Bill Grace, sang "Onward Ye Peoples" and later joined Orchestra in a meaningful rendition of "America the Beautiful," by Samuel Ward.

Dr. R. B. Doolin, Superintendent of the North Kansas City schools, introduced Dr. James C. Olson, Chancellor of U.M.K.C., who gave the Commencement address. Dr. Dan Kahler presented the class, and School Board members Mr. Donald Ewing and Mr. Richard Mattox awarded diplomas to the graduating seniors. The Alma Mater was sung and LaRu Klang offered the benediction.

Excitement resounds in final year

Senior class officers Linda Jenkins, Treasurer; Bob Minter, Sergeant-at-Arms; Gene Meyer, President; Steve Ramsey, Vice-President; and Joann Westfall, Secretary provide a working nucleus for the class of seventy.

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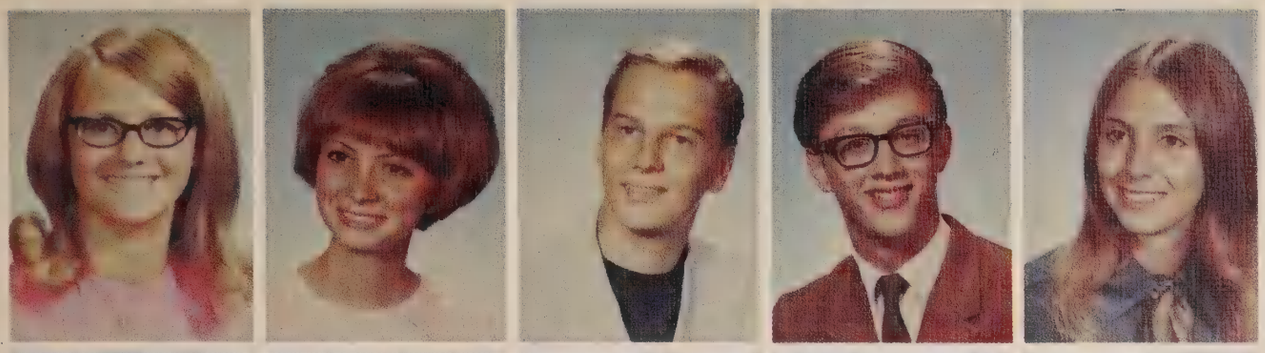
Sandy Adams
Vicky Adams
Doug Airey

Jenny Alban
Cheryl Albin
Cinda Alkire
Eva Allen
Jane Allen



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Don Alsbury
Keith Altenhofen
Jane Amos

Becky Anderson
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John Anderton
Joe Andrews
Gail Arenson

Jim Armour
Kay Armstrong
Vic Arnone
Beanie Asby
Dave Asby

Tom Atkins
Allen Atkinson
Jane Auer
Rick Baehr
Kathy Bailey

Cathy Baker
Tom Baker
Jana Barnes
Joe Barnes
Bobby Barnett

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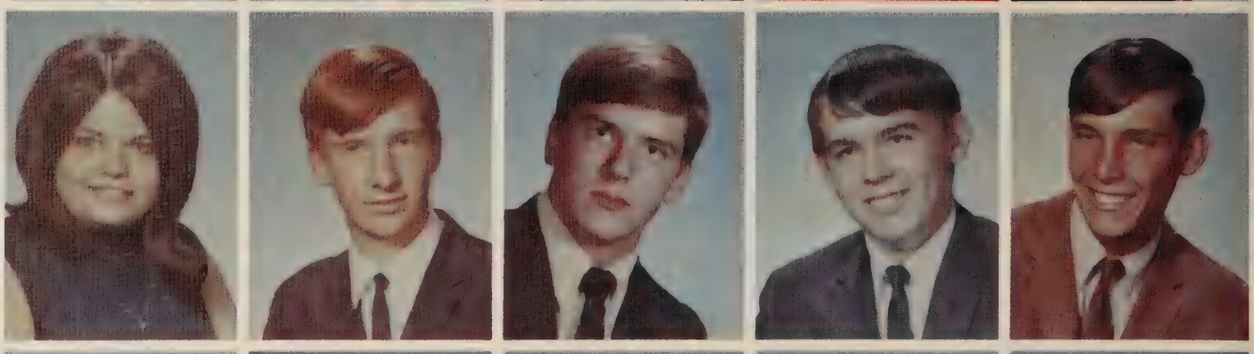

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Tom Bennett
Bill Beyer
David Bird
Bob Bishop

Mike Blackmore
Janice Blair
Karen Blanchard
Rick Bloomer
Diana Bogart

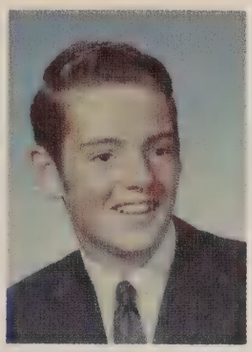
Doug Bogart
Barbara Boling
Janet Bollinger
Debbie Bond
Cheryl Bostick

Dwight Boston
Steve Bowen
Kristy Bowlin
Becky Bradley
Lloyd Bradsher

Bill Brandom
Gary Branham
Ann
Breckenridge
Merry Brening
Gary Brewer

Jerry Bell and Lynn Willis as Norman and Norma depict the ideal Oak Park Northmen.

Final year builds seniors' memories



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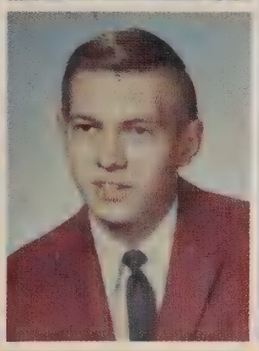

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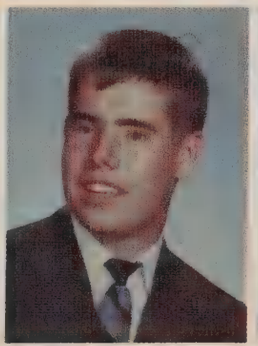

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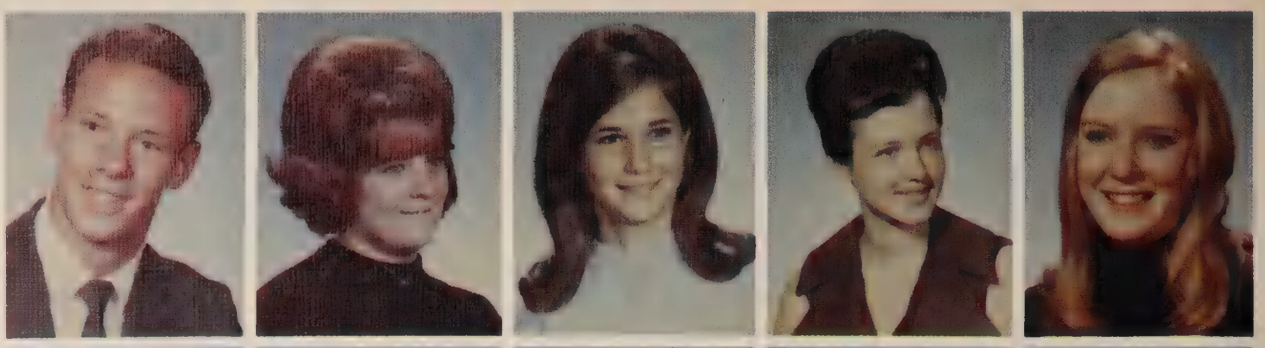

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Sandy Casey
Chris Cassell
Pete Cerra
Stephanie Chambers

Larry Childers
Linda Christensen
Candy Clark
Bill Claussen
Dean Clegg

Connie Clemens
Marjorie Clinkingbeard
Jack Cochran
Karen Cochran
Clare Conroy

Mary Cook
Wayne Cope
Floyd Cordray
Judy Corington
Tena Courter

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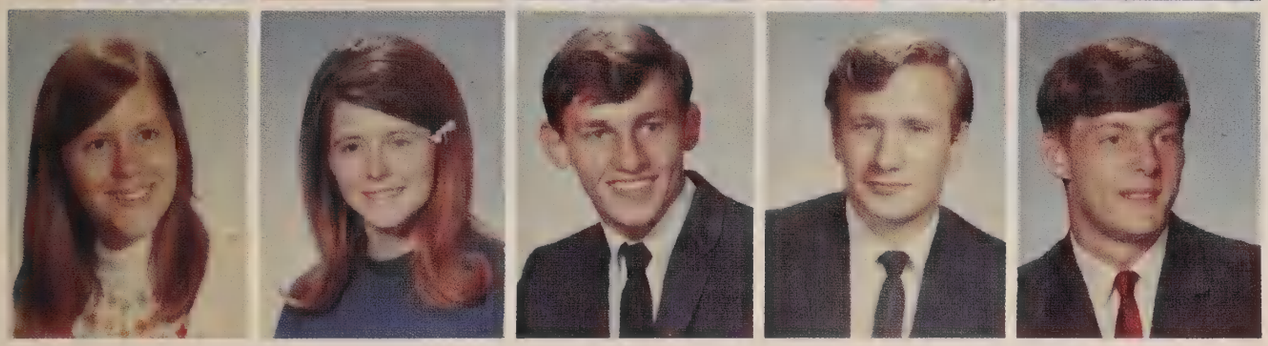


Christine Cromwell
Linda Crowder
Bill Cunningham
Jim Curtright
Gary Custer

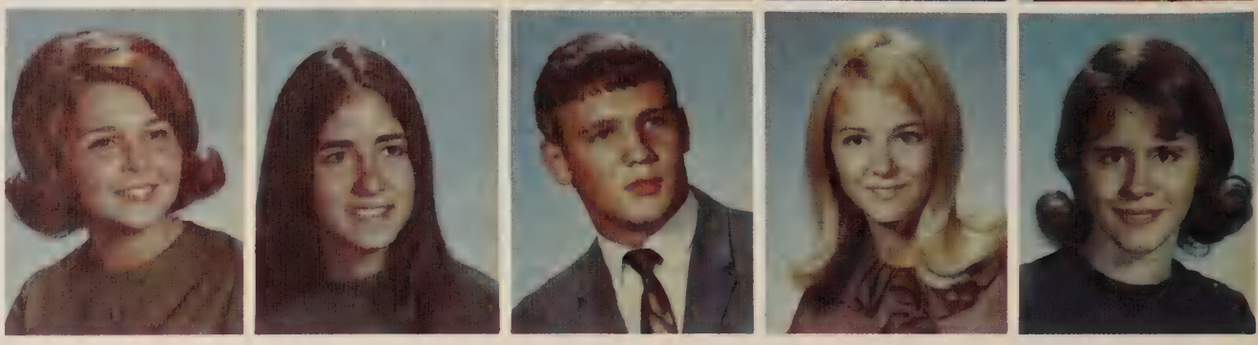
Pep Club promises "a Hornet in every pot", while Allyson Cartmill and Kristy Bowlin recite poems for their favorite team.

reativity captures audience spirit

Kathy Cutting
Pat Daugherty
Marlene Davidson
Dennis Davis
Rhonda Davis

Cliff Dawson
Susie Day
Jack Deaton
Sean Deaton
John DeFreece

Vicki DeHaven
Donna Deister
Steve Delphia
Ronna Denton
Sandi Derus

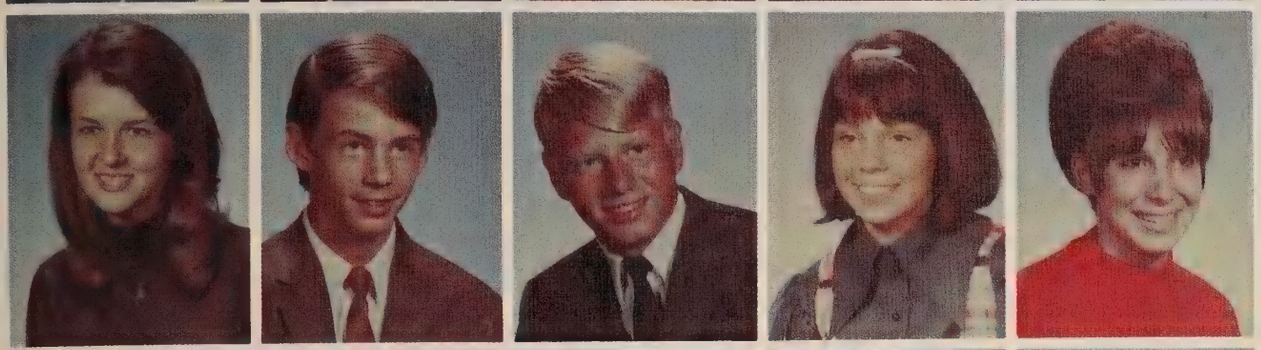


At left, Peggy Westbay decorates Log's lemon tree, while cars display holiday cheer.

Holiday moods prevail during Christmas

Debra Dickerson
Judd Dickson
Linda Dieckman
Linda Disharoon
Debra Dixon

Gary Dodson
Ed Donner
Martha Dooley
Laura Doty
Mary Lee
Douglass



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Len Downing
Larry Dramann
Barbara Draper
Diane Drewes

Charles
Duckworth
Mark Dudley
Danny Duley
Jane Duncan
Lynn Duncan

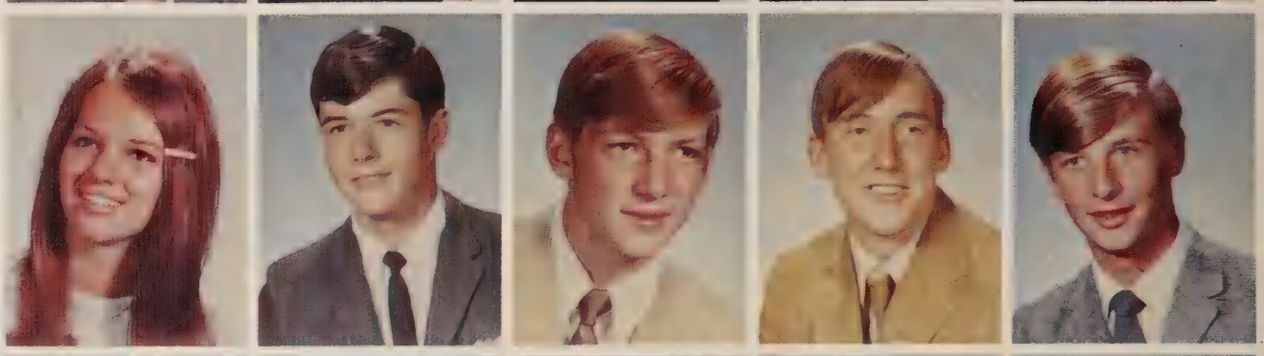
Richard Dye
Marilyn Eissler
Brenda Elder
John Elliott
DeWayne Ellis

Kathy Engle
Ken Engle
Vicky Epplee
Ron Essary
Kevin Estes

Fund raising spurs seniors' imagination

Peggy Ware and Steve Bowen advertise the Senior Class Grin-In.

Bill Evans
Jamie Evans
Linda Ewing
Janet Fanska
Marsha Farmer



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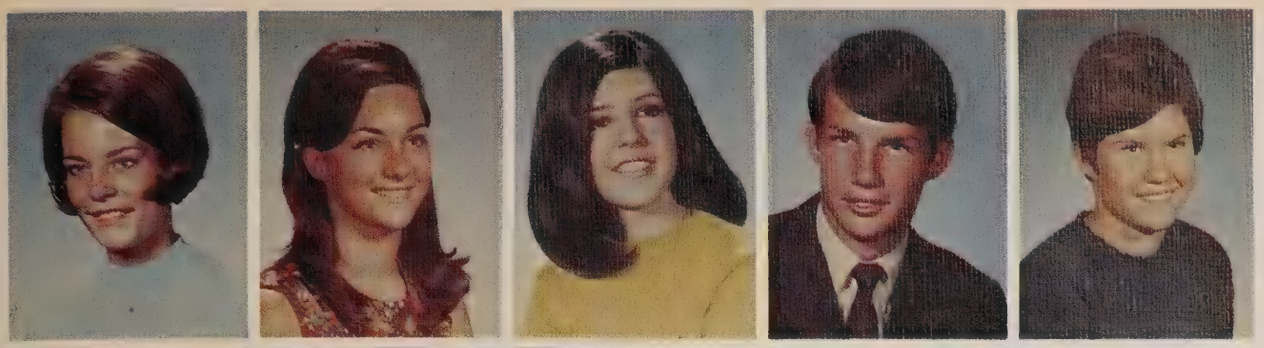
Richard Felton
Gary Ferrero
Steve Ferril
Mike Fields

Sue Finch
Gary Fischer
Victoria Fish
Carol Flasco
Dwaine Folsom

Dolly Frike
Ted Fulton
John Gallamore
Diane Gambreal
Ted Gault



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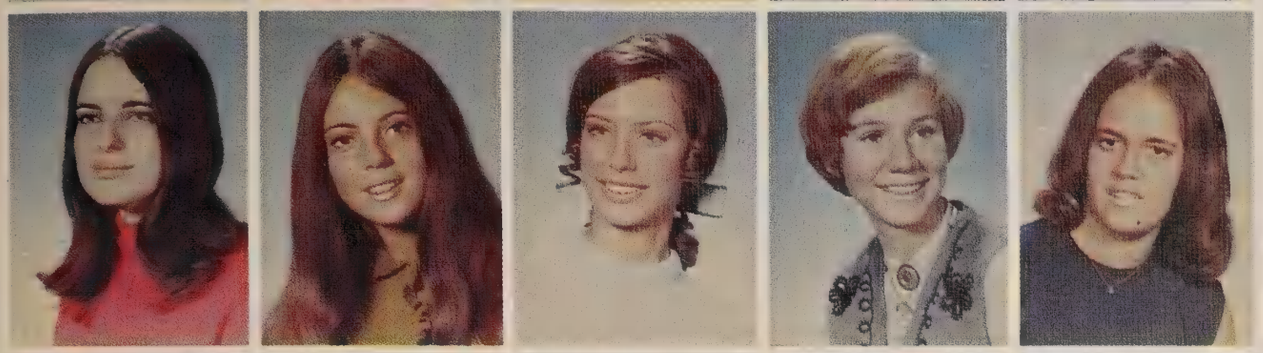
Gail Gensler
Adriana Genta
Chris George
Denise George



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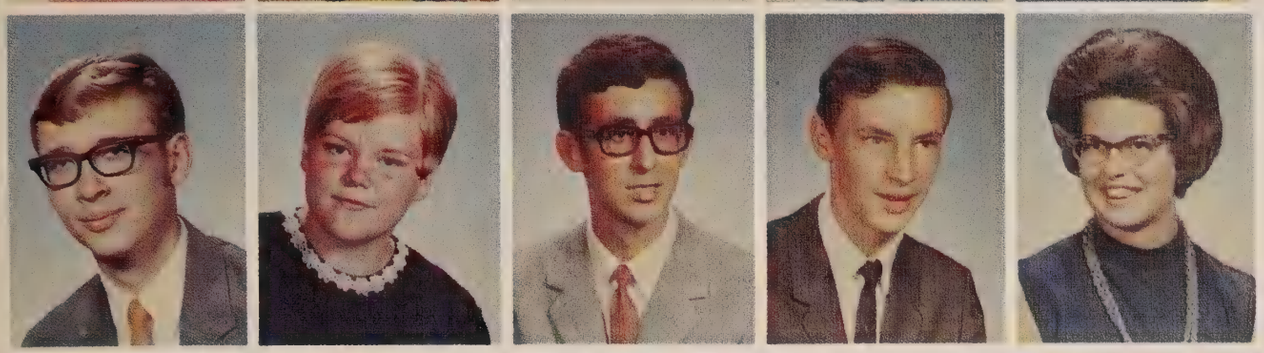
Mary Gladow
Debbie Glen
Vicki Godfrey



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Nita Goens
Jose Gonzales
Mark Gordon
Linda Gorsage

Martha Gorsage
Joyce Graham
Linda Graham
Debbie Grantham
Diana Gray

Kathy Gray
Sue Gray
Greg Griffith
Kenny Grove
Mike Gulling

George Gunter
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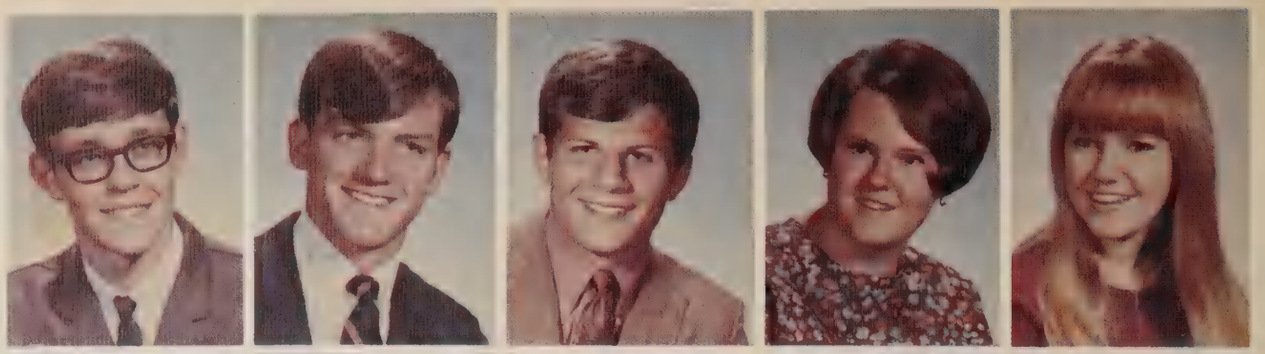
Janet Haas
Phil Habernal
Robert Hackett

Mike Haer
Mike Hagan
Ray Halastik
Debby Hall
Mary Halterman



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Julie Harward
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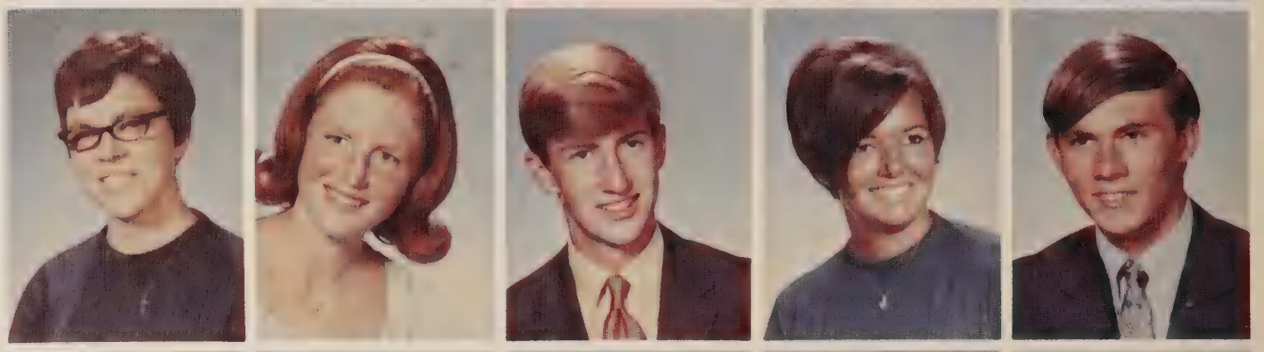

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Jan Havercamp
Jim Hawk
Nancy Hawver
Tom Hayles

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Carolyn Hays
Nan Hays
Shann Heath

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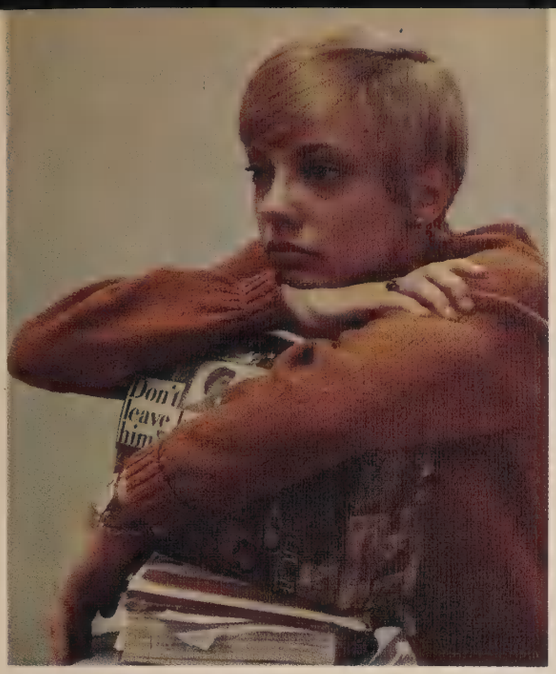

Allyson Cartmill pensively rests on her collage designed purse.

Deep thoughts fill seniors' minds

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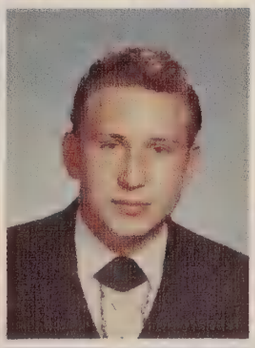
Suanne Hendricks
Kevin Henry
Richard Henry
Steve Hepner

Steve Hester
Sandy Higdon
Janet Hightower
Janice Hinton
Bill Hobbs



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Richard Holden
Rick Holding
David Holmes
Bob Hood

Nancy Hornaday
Towery Houser
Jay Howard
Karen Howard
Mike Howell

Cindy Hubbard
Richard Huber
Shirley Huck
John Hull
Nancy Hull

Alleta Hunnicutt
Mike Hurd
Paula Irwin
Donna Iske
Debbie Ittner

Diana Jackson
Jim Jackson
Joe Jahrling
Larry Jenkins
Linda Jenkins

Belinda Jent
Alice Johnson
Anna Johnson
Dwane Johnson
Joyce Johnson

Brian C. Jones
Brian D. Jones
David Jones
Dean Jones
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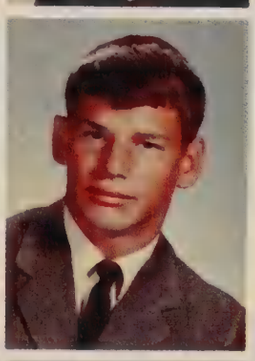

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Elaine Jordan
Richard Kaighen
Pam Kalinka
Elaine Karpierz

Francie Karther
Janet Kavanaugh
Patty Keeler
Kathy Keesee
Carolyn Keith

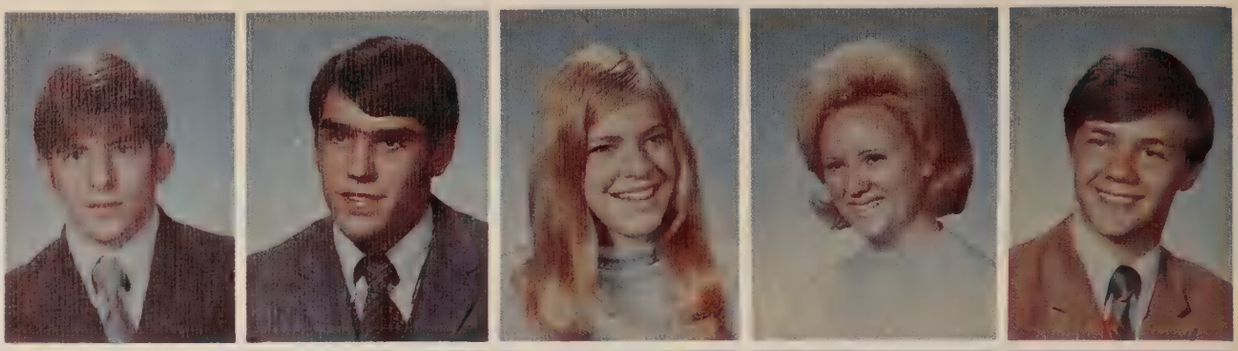
Mike Kelly
Brooks Kenagy
Kim Kenley
Diane Kenny
Sarah Kent

David Kerr
Betty Kimsey
Dee Ann Kindall
Larry Kindall
Karl Kingsley

At left, Mary Roque and Lynn Willis make use of the new Oakie decorated phone booth, while Linda Ewing, right, takes advantage of the courtyard's beauty.

Fair weather draws students outdoors

Mack Kitchens
Dave Kite
LaRu Klang
Pam Klingele
Don Knecht



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Bob Knopf
Gina Koba
Gary Kommel
George Koppe

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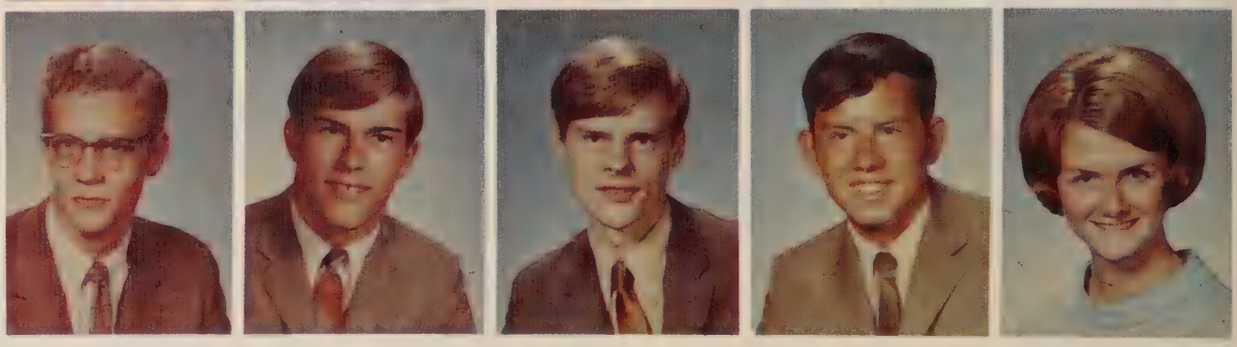
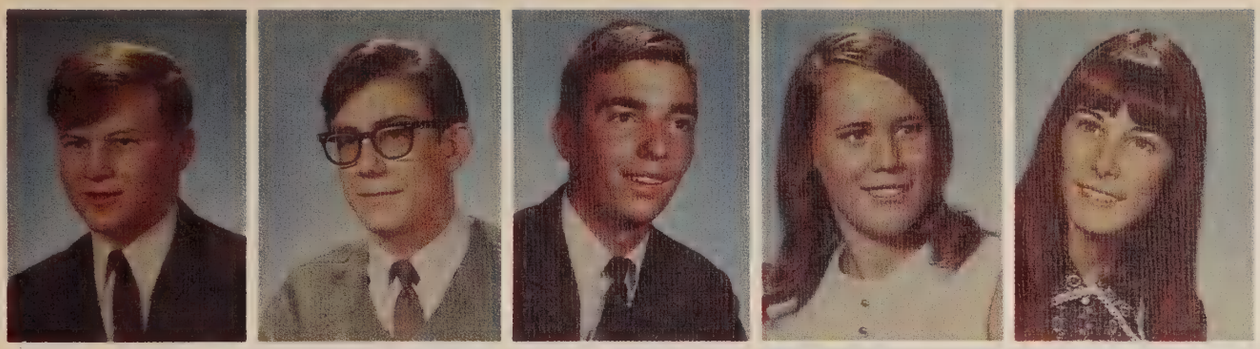
Pat Krafka
Carol Kraft
Charles Kraft

David Krenkel
Larry Kuhn
Bobby Kyle
Sammy Laffoon
Elaine Laird



Larry Childers and Don Knecht take advantage of their artistic ability and a late snowfall.

New media found in snow sculpture



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Scott Larrick
Lawrence Larson
Charlene Lassiter
Luanne Laursen

Tom Lawrence
Debra Ledgerwood
Diane Lee
Diana Leipard
Lynna Lemen

Steve Lemp
Karen Lenz
Karen Lewis
Mona Lewis
Ralph Liberty

Carol Linard
Judy Lindsey
Bob Lindsey
Linda Lineberry
Nancy Little

Donna Logan
Mark Long
Bill Lucas
Danny Lundy
Sue Lupton

David Lytle
Rodney Maag
Marilyn MacDonald
David Macken
Jack Maib

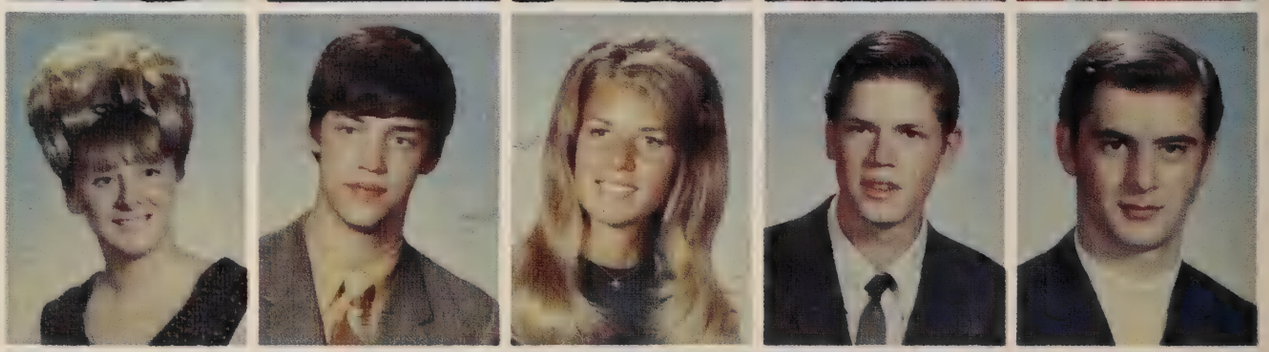
Happiness is an All-American

Mr. Lynn Blair glances through his favorite book.

Susan Malone
Jim Mangold
Linda Marshall
Rick Marshall
Cheri Martin

Melody Martin
Pam Martin
Ginger Mathia
Kathy Mathis
Steve Mathis

Pam Matlick
Dave Matthews
Debi Mattox
Paul May
Mike Mayabb



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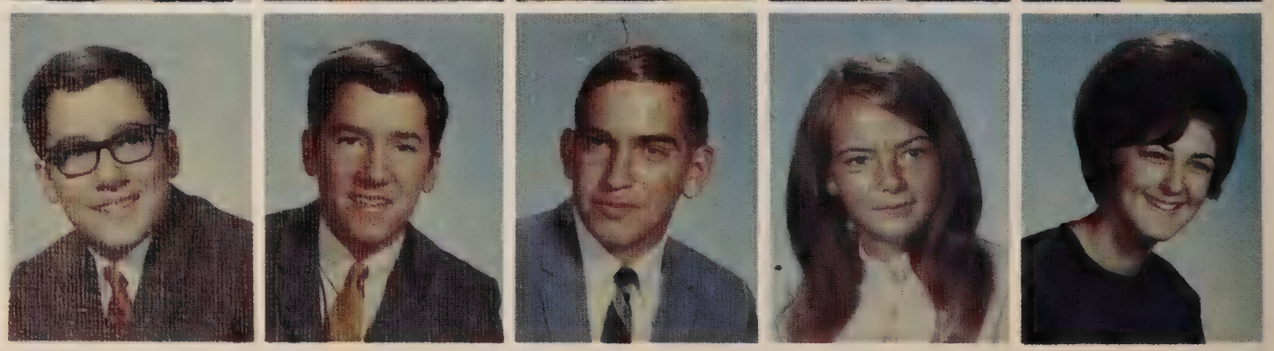
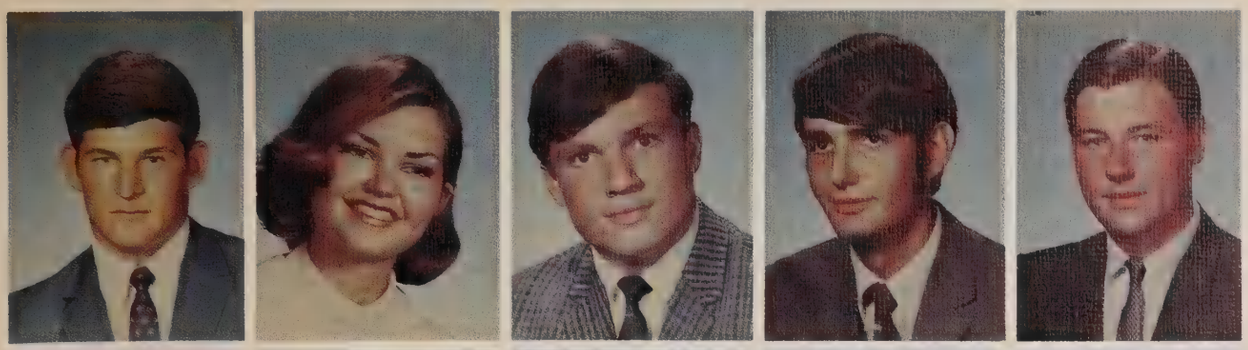
Kurt Mayo
Don McArthur
Shirley McCormick
Debbie McCort





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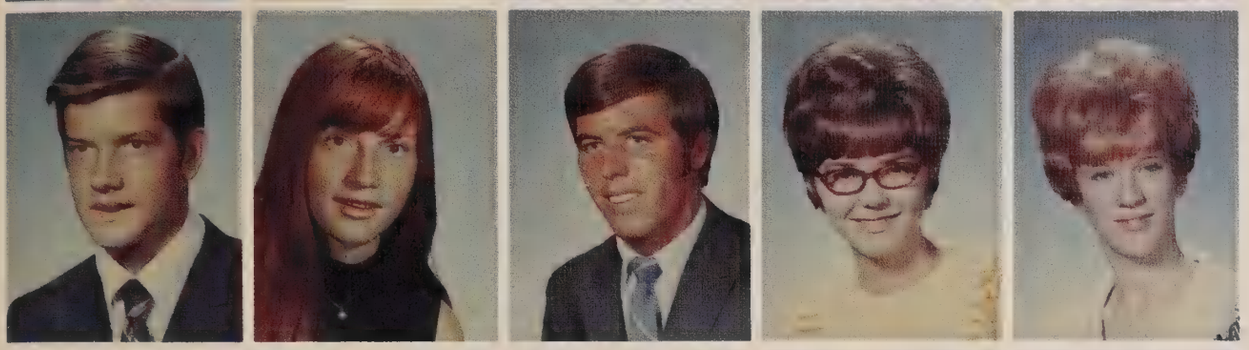
Rick McKinnie



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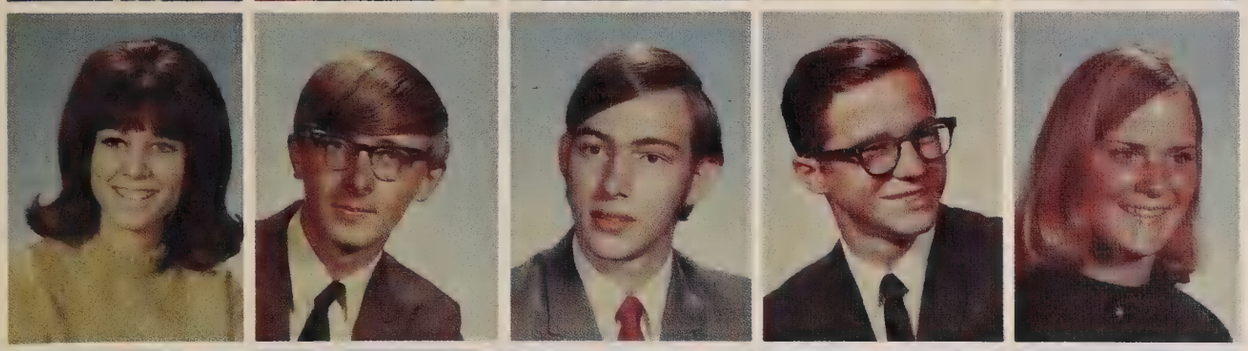
Carol Meinking



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Menninger
Dale Mercer
Duke Merrill
Lee Messenger
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Gene Meyer
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Randy Miller
Roberta Miller
Bob Minter
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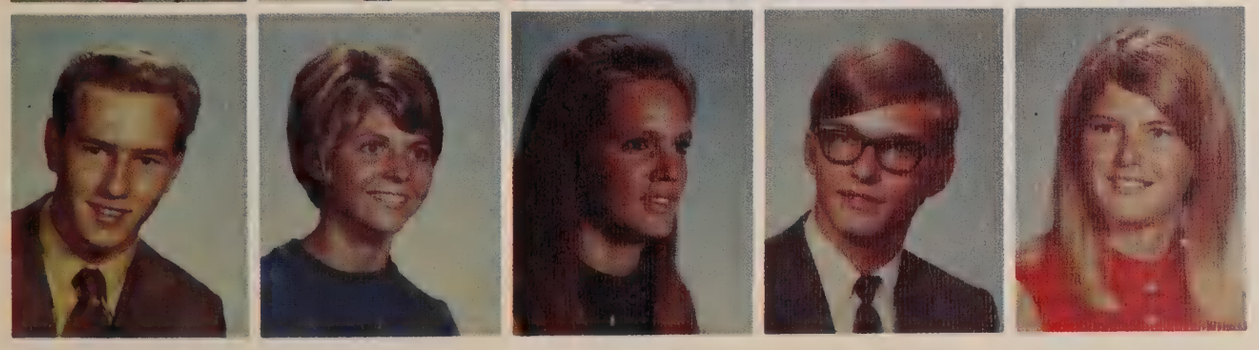

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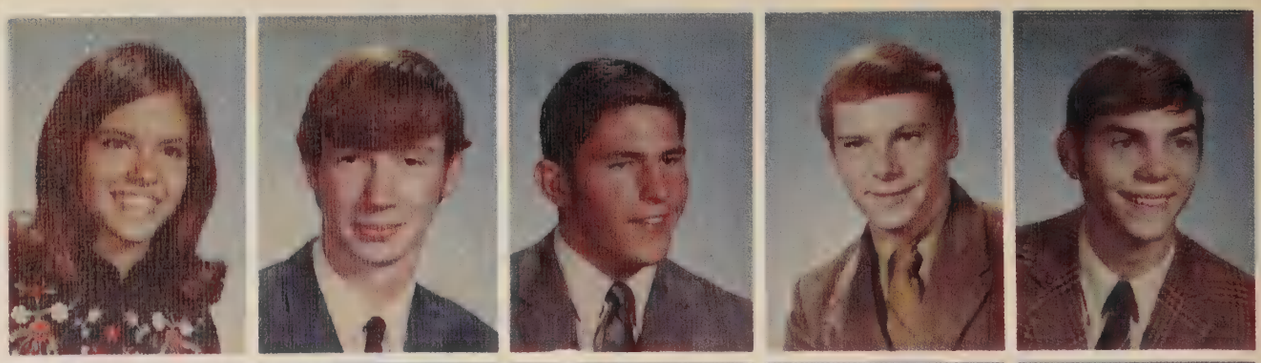

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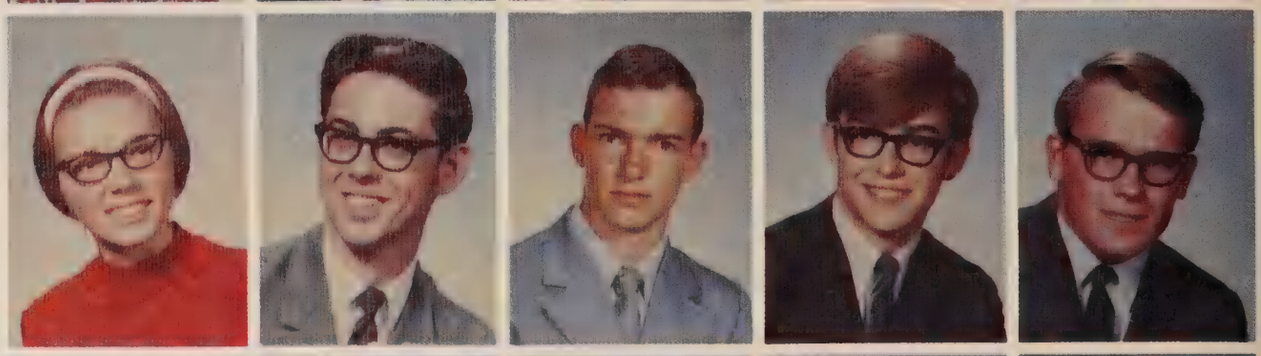
Don Neal
Richard Neale
Jim Nelson



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Paula New
Virgil Newman
Kathy Nielsen
Diana Noel

Bill Noonan
Dianna Nordyke
Melody Norval
Liz Nye
Sharon Oliver

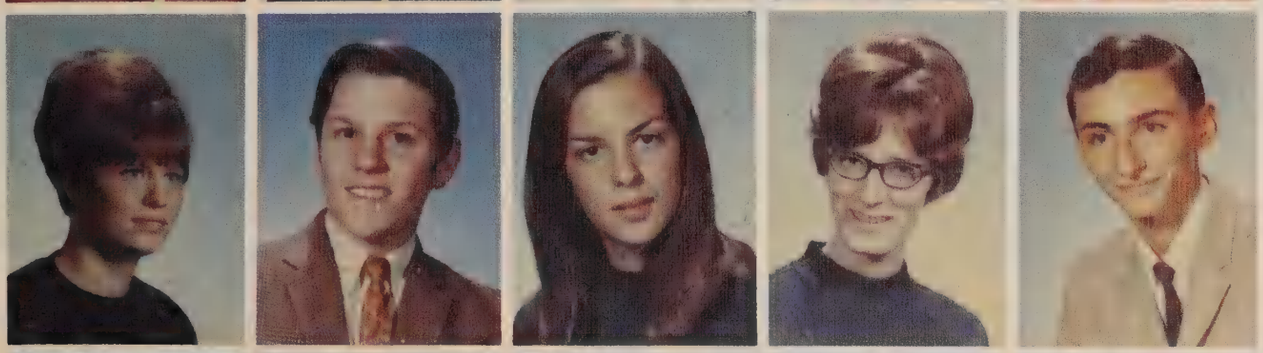
John Orlich
Tim Osburn
Jill Oswalt
Jill Owens
Bill Pankey

Anita Parvin
Debbie Pasley
Zelda Pasquini
Kathy Patten
Lynda Patterson

Child care prepares students for future

Working with children prepares the homemaking students for married life. At left, Dolly Frike reads a story, center, Sandy Carpenter teaches telephone skills to a youngster, and right, Deborah Shoffner draws the alphabet.

Doug Paxton
Mike Payne
Sharon Payne
Larry Peak
Linda Pearce



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Rose Pennetti
Janice Penrose
Don Pepmeier

Eva Perko
Kathy Peters
Albert Peterson
Carol Pettibone
Karl Pfankuch

Laverne Phillips
Debra Pickett
Kathy Pickett
Ron Pillers
Dalene Pisha

Shirley Playter
Dennis Pollock
Cindy Porter
Mike Porter
Roy Powell

Laura Price
Peggy Prucha
Donita Pruitt
Mark Quigley
Danny Raines

Steve Ramsey
Denise Randolph
John Ratcliffe
Debbie Rector
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Chester
Remington
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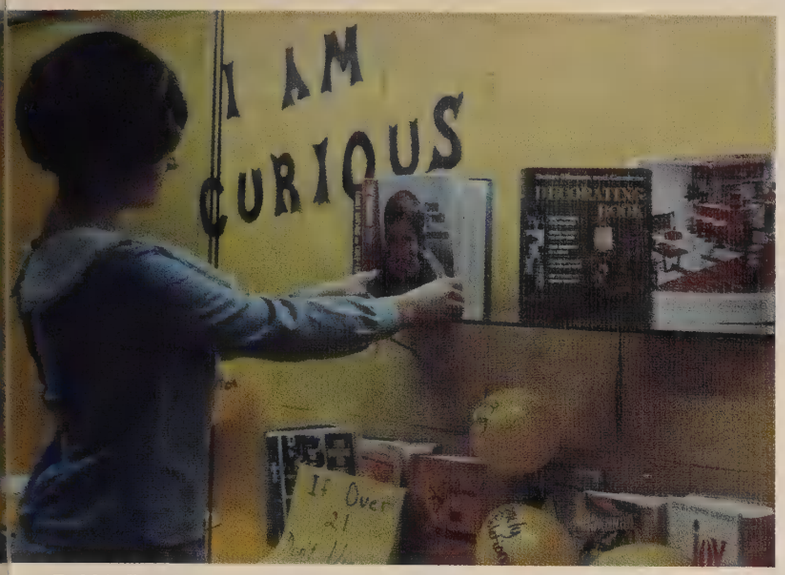
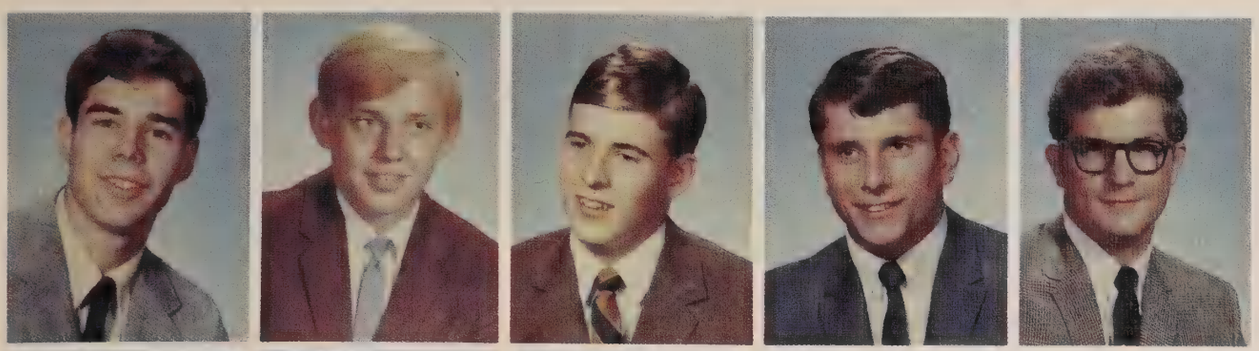
Kay Ritsema



Debbie Bond arranges effective home economics display window.

Interest sparks with unique displays



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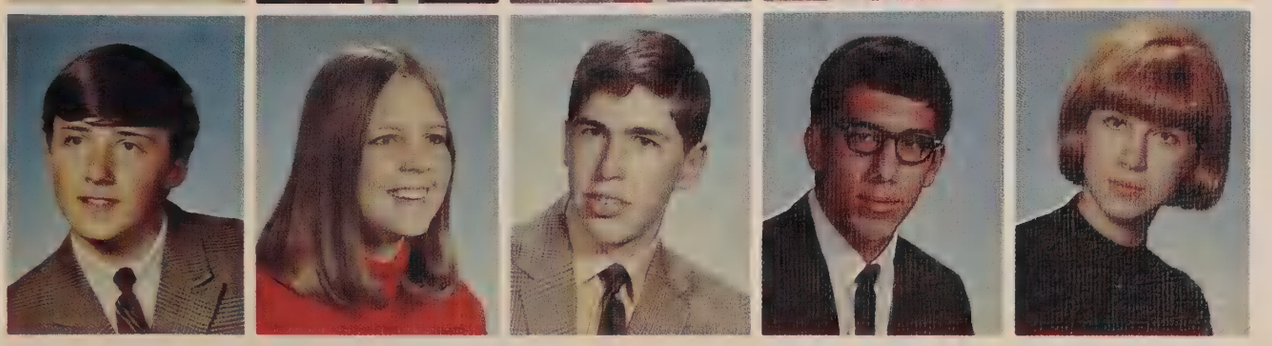

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Vince Saladino
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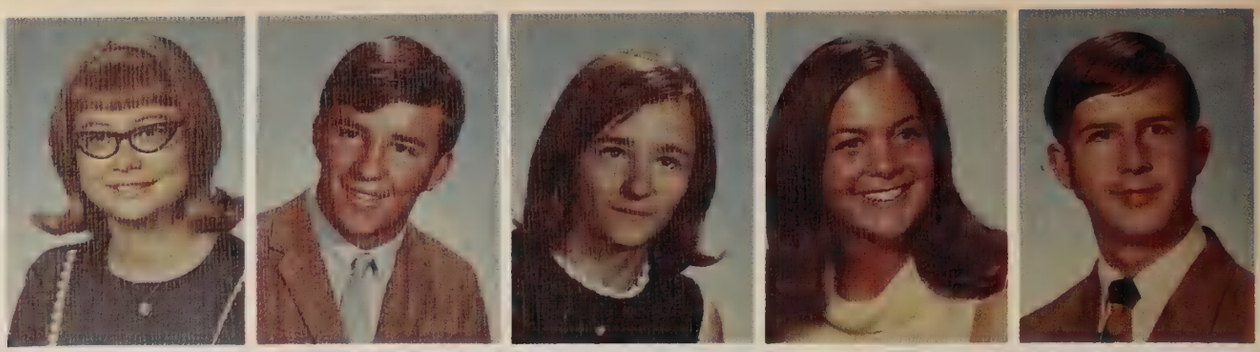
Sammy Sanders
Twyla Sanstra
Angie
Santa Maria
David Scharhag



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Gail Seney
Marsha Sewell
Ted Seybold

Rick Sharp
Gary Shay
Lloyd Shelton
Steve Sherill
Janey Shipps

Sharon Rueger works avidly in the colorful courtyard sketching the autumn trees.

Talent discovers outlet through art

Deborah Shoffner
Ken Shoffner
Carol Shomer
Jerry Short
Corrie Sievers

Lori Sievers
Mike Skaggs
Carolyn Skinner
Vickie Smart
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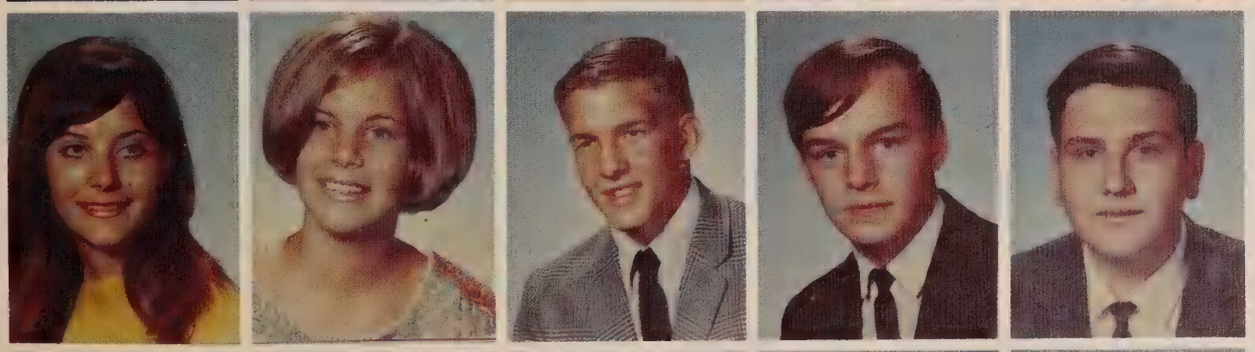

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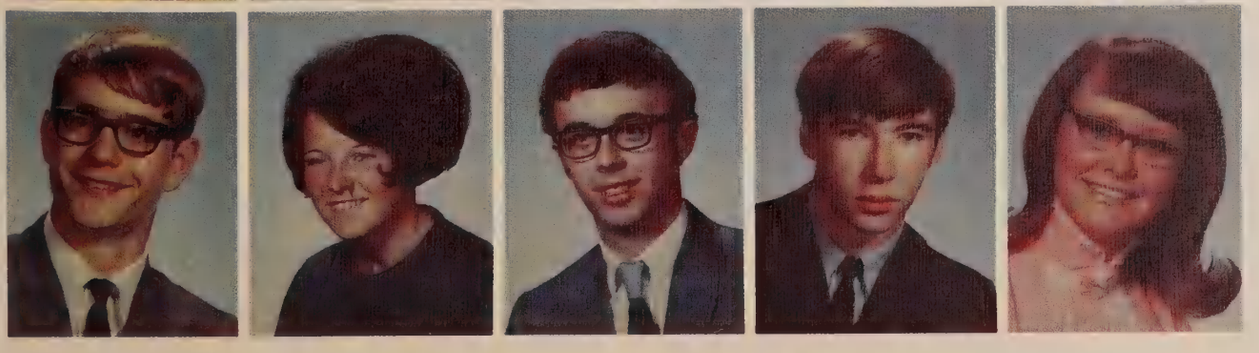
Paul Spudis



Russell Srack
Ramona
St. James
Alan Stanley
Mike Stapleton
Diane Stark

Senior course stresses student involvement

At far left, Tim Osburn sets the beat for Family Life fashion show, while (center), models Karen Lewis and Debbie Moss discuss clothes they will wear. At right Rick Holding gazes at his bride Connie Clemens, both dressed in style for their mock wedding.

Mark Stayton
Kathy Steele
Arlinda Stegink
Phyllis Steitz
Marguerita Stephens

Sharon Stephens
Linda Sterling
Paul Stevenson
Cheryl Stewart
Linda Stewart

Regina Stewart
Nadine Stokes
Dennis Stratton
Donna Strickler
Russell Struthers

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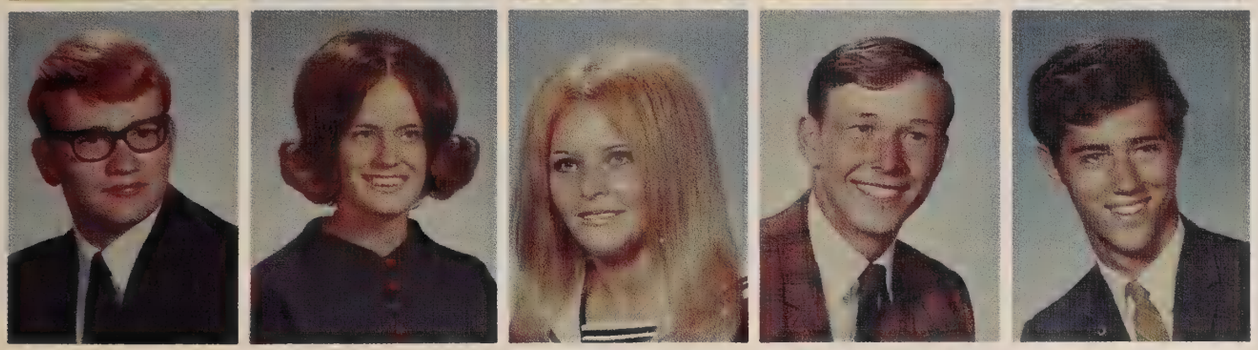
John Summey
Greg Swanson
Sally Tague
Bruce Talley

Jan Taylor
Julie Taylor
Larry Taylor
Janet Terrell
Steve Thackery



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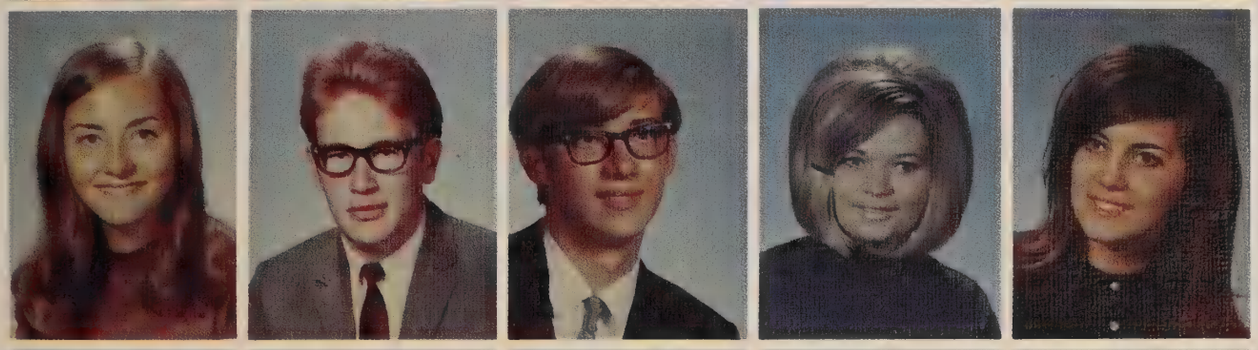
John Thompson
Ronnie Thompson

Skeeter Thompson
Teresa Thompson
Denise Thomsen
Jocelyn Thomsen
Donna Thornton



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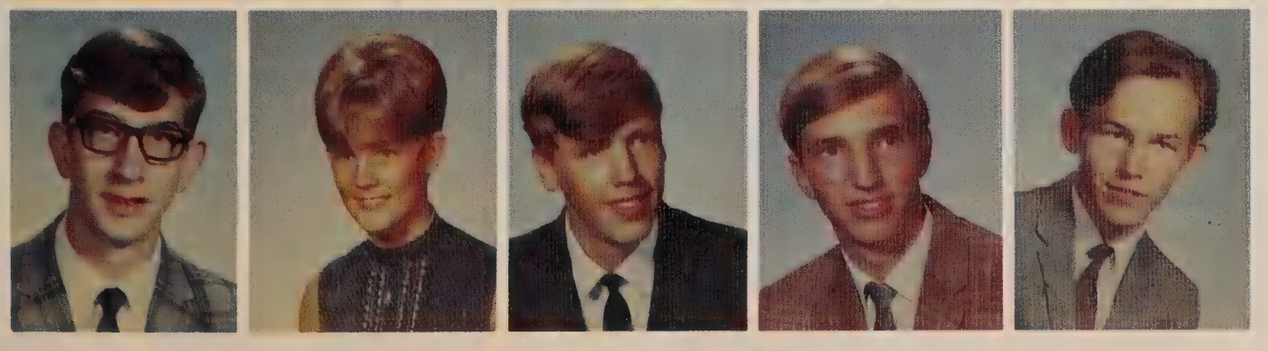

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Ronnie Turner

Kathleen Tyrell
Charles Utter
Steve VanKeirsbilck
Jerry Vansell
Rodney VanSickle

Beverly Voyles
Bob Vunovich
Rose Wade
Debbie Wadman
Per Wahlstrom

Debbie Wakefield
Alan Walker
E. J. Walker
Linda Walpole
Tom Wardwell

Peggy Ware
Richard Ware
Shelly Warner
Les Weaver
Judy Wehling

Sherrie Welch
Greg Wells
Mitchel Welty
Mary Wenski
Gayle West

Marie West
Peggy Westbay
Joann Westfall
Dianne Wettstern
Gloria Wey

Susan Whitlow, Betty Crocker Missouri Homemaker of Tomorrow, displays products of the company.

Winners dominate in upper classmen

Susan Whitlow
Linda Whittall
Richard Whitworth
Susan Wiederstein
Susan Wilcox

Christina Wiley
Dave Wilkerson
Debbie Wilkerson
Beverly Williams
Gale Williams

Greg Williams
Kathy Williams
Kim Williams
Kim Williams
Lynn Willis

Ronald Willis
Anne Willoughby
Dave Willoughby
Richard Wilmes
Darrell Wilson

Joyce Wilson
Penny Wilson
Teri Wilson

Tom Wilson
Carol Windel
Jean Winn

Terry Wolf
Ronald Wolfe
Stan Woodcock

Gary Worth
Larry Yach
Susan Yonkers

Linda Young
Lorraine Young
Sharyl Young

Frank Zacharias
Debbie Ziegler
Carol Zuniga

Dreams compose future days

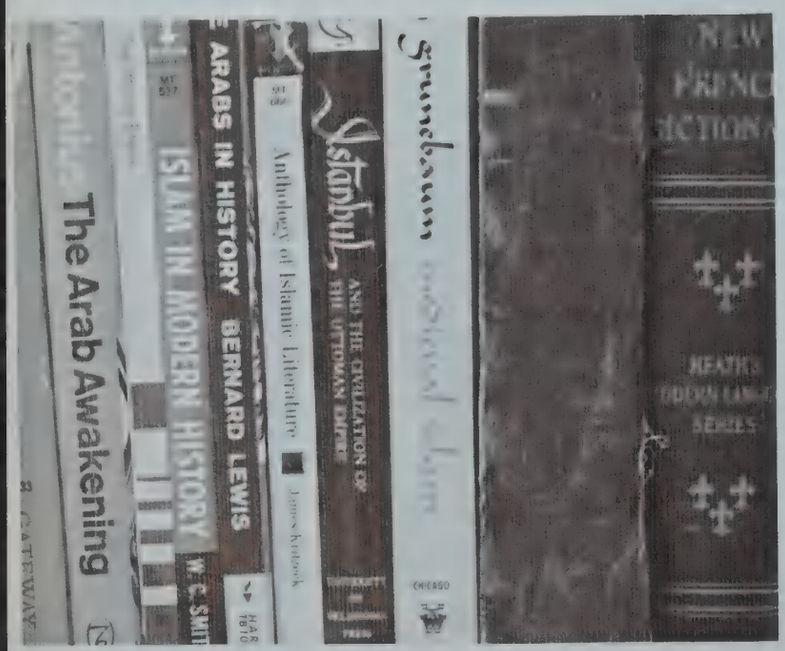
Far left: On a misty day, Sally Tague contemplates the ending of her senior year.

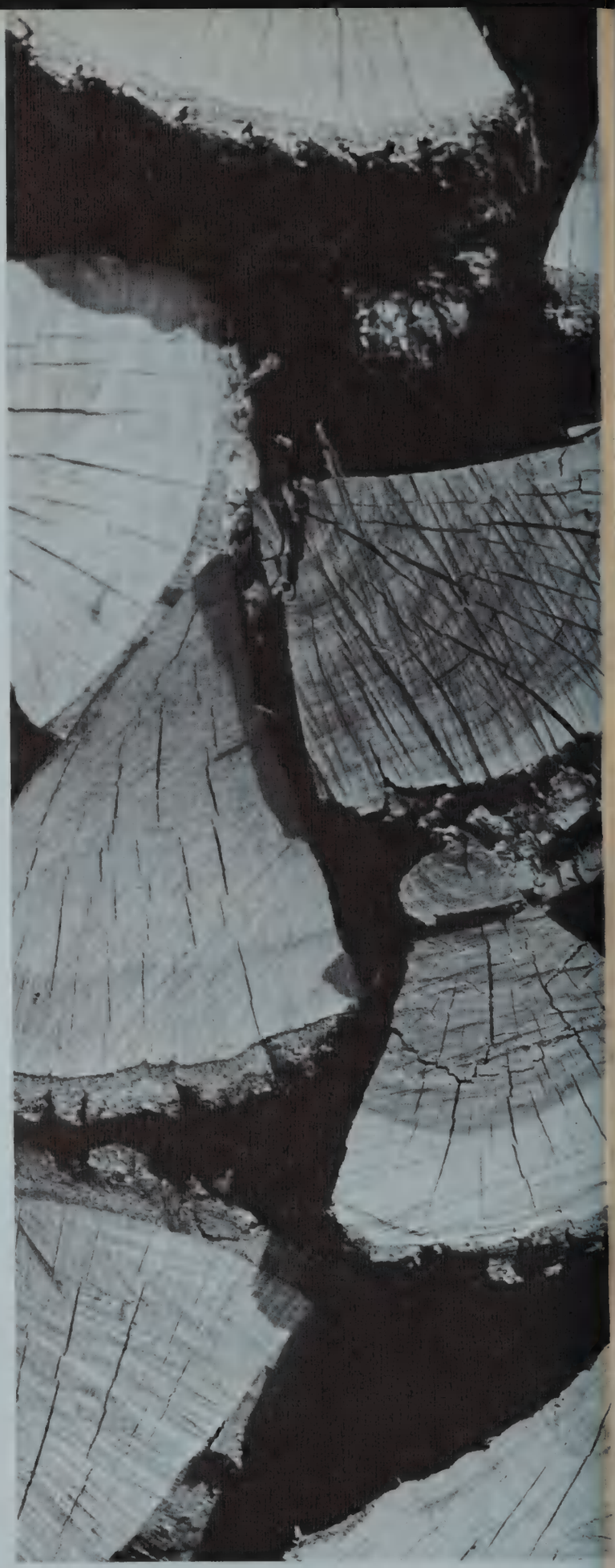
Flexibility brings new innovations

Prompted by the tremendous influences of modular scheduling, curriculum underwent monumental changes. The schedule ran on a twenty-one mod day of fifteen minutes each. Classes met in large lecture groups, medium lab groups, and small discussion groups. Completing class assignments during unscheduled time furthered the students understanding of his work, in addition to a closer student teacher relationship because of the extra time for personal discussions.

Many advantages and disadvantages came with the new system. A student had to accept the responsibility of budgeting his time, providing experience for college scheduling. To aid the student in his studies the audio-visual room and the resource centers, contained more in depth reading, films, and tapes for the student especially interested in a specific field.

When a number of students were particularly curious about a field of study, a teacher would devote extra mods in developing a class for the subject. An Italian class, gymnastics, and a contemporary music course were added because of student initiation. Drivers Education was not considered a class in itself, but was scheduled in addition to the number of classes allowed per student. Some teachers realized that students who would not go to college needed a study in a field they could enter after high school. An example of this is the physical science class, which devoted the greater part of their time studying the mechanics of a motor. This exemplifies the feelings of some teachers who cared what happened to their students after graduation, as well as during high school.





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Leaders supervise school policies

Oak Park administrators expended much time and energy coping with the various complexities and problems which arose from the initiation of modular scheduling in the fall of 1969. Increased enrollment this year of over 2400 created an additional work load and new responsibilities for Dr. Dan Kahler, Mr. Robert Litle, Mr. Art Pfaff, Mr. Larry Clark, and the entire staff. They supervised enrollment procedures, handled curriculum, coordinated schedules, and formed and enforced many necessary rules and regulations. The administration continually encouraged student participation in sports and extracurricular activities while always striving to enrich Oak Park's scholastic standards and to improve and enlarge school facilities. In many ways they inspired pride and enthusiastic School Spirit at Oak Park High School.

Mr. Art Pfaff
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Attendance Office

Gladys Rasmussen
Principal's Office

Mary Ann Thompson
Principal's Office

Eleanor Gehrs
Principal's Office

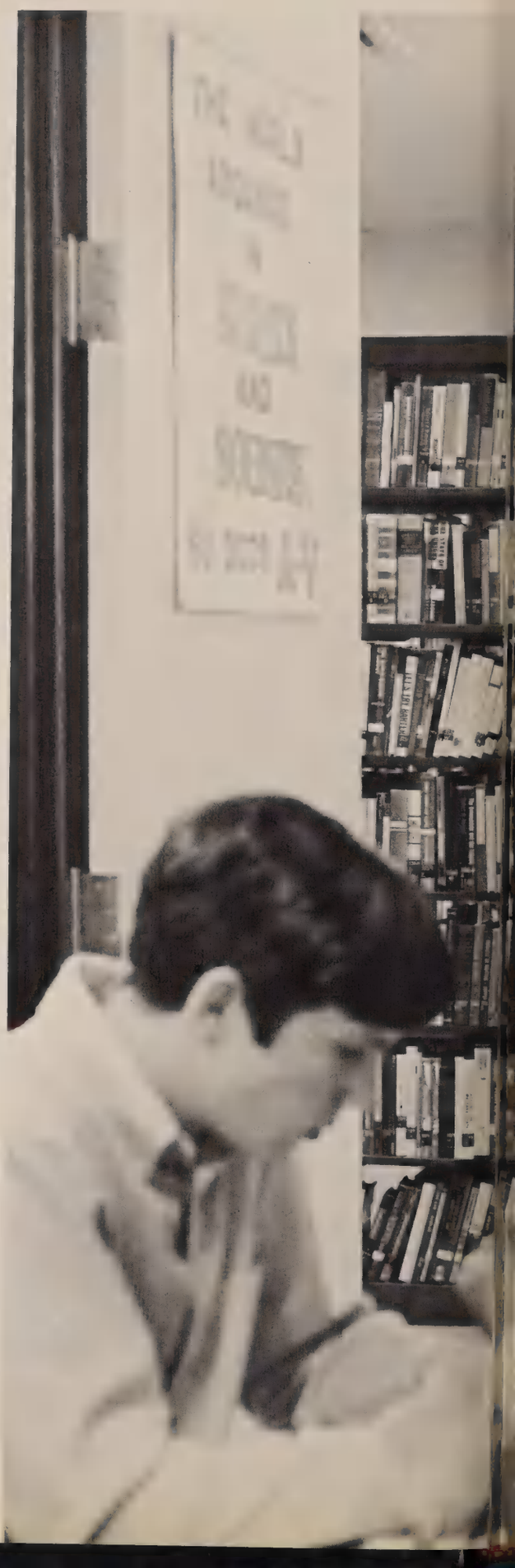
Kim Hornaday, Greg Chapman, and Linda Melton take advantage of the record library in the Audio-Visual room.

Centers expand resource material

The Media Center, along with four resource centers, fulfilled a vital role in the daily educational life of Oak Park students. The Media Center furnished many types of resource materials. In addition to 13,500 books and 200 different magazines, microfilm, art prints, records, newspapers, transparencies, and filmstrips were readily accessible to all students. Seven librarians helped to solve research problems and encouraged individual learning.

The five resource centers: Math and Science, Practical Arts, English, Social Studies, and the Language Lab, provided areas for quiet study and more specialized research during unscheduled time. Special instructional assistants, Mrs. Virginia Chapman, Mrs. Margaret Pate, Mrs. Ernestine Popplewell, Mrs. Deborah Wilhite, and Mrs. Ruth Anne Woody supervised these areas and worked closely with the regular faculty in furthering educational experiences.

Everything from Certs to paperback books could be obtained from the book store. Supervised by Mrs. Nadine Hofferty and student assistants the book store gave students a convenient source of educational materials.



Tom Kuhn assists Mrs. Nadine Holferty with book store sales. *At left,* Bob Smith searches through the library's scores of research material.

Dorothy Smith
Head Librarian
M.S., C.M.S.

Dawn Martin
Library Secretary

Georgia Payne
Librarian
B.A., U.M.K.C.

Martha Troutz
Library Secretary

Mary Grun
Audio-Visual
B.S., N.W.M.S.

Ina Ruth Morris
Audio-Visual
Secretary

Nadine Holferty
Book Store

Josephine Fehrman
Instructional
Assistant
Cafeteria
B.S., K.S.U.

Virginia Chapman
Instructional
Assistant
English Resource
Center

Ruth Ann Woody
Instructional
Assistant
Math-Science
Resource Center

Deborah Wilhite
Instructional
Assistant
Practical Arts
Resource Center

Students develop loquacious skills

"Speak clearly if you speak at all; Carve every word before you let it fall." These words first uttered by O. W. Holmes exemplified the ideals of the speech, drama, and debate departments. Instructors strived to initiate students in the complex art of communications. Students enrolled in Debate I and II spent long hours preparing cases and arguments while speech students perfected their oratorical dexterity. Young actors in Drama I and II learned the skills of acting and backstage technical work. The efforts of the drama students were evidenced in their presentation of plays and participation in local speech and drama contests. Representatives of the debate and speech departments attended these same tournaments demonstrating the results of their studies.

Modular scheduling allowed the English department to function in refreshing new ways. The faculty elected fellow teachers to act as grade level department chairmen, who helped coordinate the activities within the department. Through team teaching, teachers were provided with more time to prepare for class instruction. Large lecture groups created by the new scheduling encouraged individual attention during small group discussions and seminars.

Above, sophomores Darrell Waas and Tom Hankins display their first place St. Louis debate trophy. *Below,* Dr. Dan "Hunchback" Kahler, Mr. Don "Frankenstein" Crowder, Mr. Bob "Punpkin" Litle, Mrs. Lou Ellen "Spook" Paul, and Mrs. Carol "Witch" Johnson entertain the sophomore English class in true Halloween spirit.

Ellen Beery
Senior Lit.
M.Ed., M.U.

Phyllis Berens
English
B.A., Fort Hays

Lynn Blair
English
Journalism, Log
M.A., M.U.

Barbara Callaway
English
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Drama
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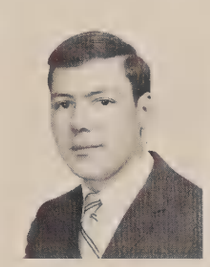
Phyllis Courtney
English
B.S., U.M.K.C.



Joe DeGrado
English
B.S., C.M.S.

Marjorie Douthit
English, M.A., Kansas
State at Pittsburg

Verna Edwards
English
B.A., U.M.K.C.

Carole Johnson
English
B.A., William Jewell

Aylene Keown
English, Journalism
M.A., M.U.

Timmothy Mabbott
English
B.A., U.M.K.C.

Lou Ellen Paul
English
M.A., U.M.K.C.

Carol Ruegg
English
M.A., U.M.K.C.

Sally Ryan
English
Ed. Sp., M.U.

Russell Usnick
Debate, Speech
B.A., U.M.K.C.

Alice White
English
M.A., N.E.M.S.

Regina Zahl
English, Senior Lit.
M.A., K.U.

Connie Ziegler
English, Sr. Lit.
B.S., M.U.

Galen Miner, Barbara Sabol, and Chris Elliott present an old-fashioned melodrama for Mr. Taylor's American history class.

Accents speak of foreign study

Reciting "hablas espanol, parlez vous francais and sprechen Sie Deutsch," the voices of the language students rang through the corridors of the foreign language department. Teachers found themselves faced with tongue twisted and bewildered pupils as the students groped their way to an understanding of the language. Dedicated to creating a speaking knowledge of the language as well as an understanding of the customs and environment of the people; classes presented a complete program of study. Courses in Spanish, French, and German presented classes that covered all fields of interest. Speakers, songs, and skits sparked lively discussions during large group periods. Modular scheduling gave language enthusiasts extra time to spend in the language lab studying the dialects through actual speaking and listening experiences. Besides the three standard languages offered, a special class in Italian met after school.

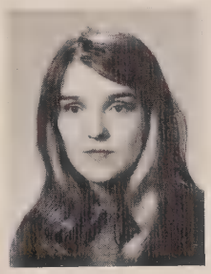
Rose Hall
Spanish
B.A., William Jewell

Donna Johnson
Spanish, English
B.A., S.M.S.

Carolyn Johnston
German
B.A., Drury College

Lynda Pate
French
M.A., U.M.KC.

Sue Beth Stull
French
B.A., K.U.



Patty Zschoche
German
B.A., K. S.U.

Members of the French IV class raise their glasses to Judy Corington's toast. *At left,* Mrs. Ernestine Popplewell adjusts the tapes played in the open language lab.

Mrs. Carolyn Johnston takes advantage of the free mods to discuss privately with her students.

Miss Lois Fann supervises the calculations of Rhonda Stalsworth and Sandy Rogers.

Ronald Atkins
C.O.E.
M.A., C.M.S.

John Bahnmaier
Bookkeeping, Typing
M.S., Emporia State

Barbara Battmer
Shorthand, Typing
B.S., M.U.

Joyce Bergstrom
Business Law, Typing
Gen. Office Training
B.S., S.M.S.

Shirley Cromer
Shorthand, Typing
B.S., S.M.S.

Lois Fann
Bookkeeping
M.Ed., Colorado U.

Steve Garrett
Driver's Education
B.A., N.E.M.S.

Joe Grace
C.O.E.
B.S., Central College

Dave Hensel
C.O.E.
B.S., N.W.M.S.

Fred Hoge
Basic Business
Bus. Management
B.A., Texas U.

Bill Overbey
Driver's Education
M.S., K.S.U.

Charles Posson
Basic Bus., Econ.
B.S., N.W.M.S.

Wilma Sullivan
Cler. Prac., Sec. Prac.
M.S., Pittsburg St.

Kenneth Swift
Driver's Education
M.Ed., M.U.

Ruth Thomas
Cler. Prac., Typing
M.Ed., M.U.

Jan Rost works for a balanced account in bookkeeping.

Mary Kay Crowder
Bookkeeping, Typing
B.S., C.M.S.

Anita Deckard
Typing, Shorthand
M.A., C.M.S.

Delbert Lampson
Driver's Education
M.S., Pittsburg St.

Dorine Maloney
Typing
M.A., C.M.S.

Melvin Wieland
Driver's Education
M.A., N.W.M.S.

Cora Wright
Basic Business
Recordkeeping, Sales
M.A., C.M.S.

Mr. Bill Overbey explains the inner workings of an engine to a driver's education class.

Class skills prepare for business world

Typewriters, adding machines and rustling papers provided noisy evidence of the education taking place in the practical skills department. Columns of figures and smeared carbons plagued students striving to prepare themselves for future vocations. Future office workers toiled for hours in perfecting typing assignments while driver's education students jepordized life and limb learning the safe way to drive. Data processing, business law and record keeping were among the more specialized classes offered in practical skills. Education and a salary were made possible by the Cooperative Education program.

Students correlate past, present, future

Improved use of team-teaching and more time for individual student-teacher conferences became the outstanding effects of modular scheduling in the history department, according to Mr. John Hagan, department chairman. More research and supplementary reading assignments could be given instead of the usual textbook-oriented lessons. Students learned to spend unscheduled time in the social studies resource center where the instructional assistant, Mrs. Pate, helped with various assignments for world history, American heritage, contemporary issues, geography, psychology, or family life. All instructors spent time in the new history office, which induced more faculty communication and resulted in a cooperation that was readily evident in the efficiency of the department.

The family life course underwent a tremendous change. Modular scheduling provided time for a 500-large group meeting for lectures and films, and two small groups for discussion. The team of five teachers sought varied topics of discussion for the year from the abnormal child to family finances. To supplement class discussion, reading lists and guide sheets were issued to the students. The teachers used the extra time awarded them by modular scheduling to provide this senior elective more in depth presentations.

Kathy Jansen sketches a map for her world history class.

C. F. Bakker
World History
M.A., M.U.

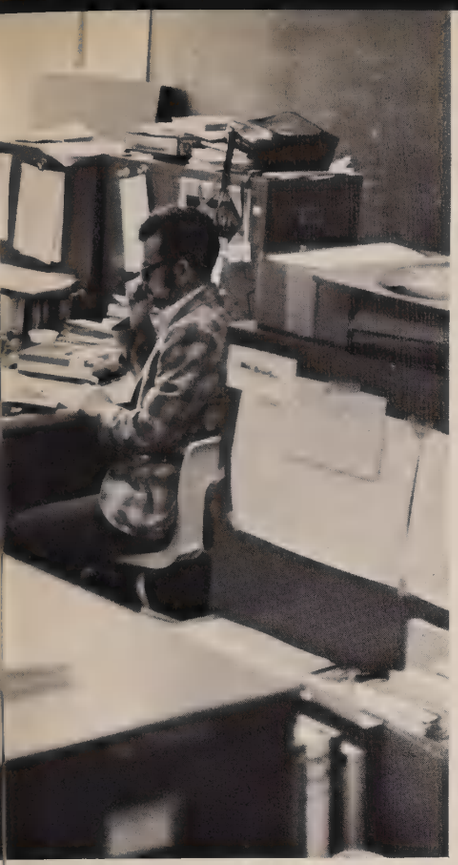
Larry Blackwell
World History
B.A., C.M.S.

Gene Jordan
Family Life
M.S., M.U.

John Kistner
American History
B.A., U.M.K.C.

Ed Pfitzner
American History
Family Life
M.A., U.M.K.C.

David Rettenmaier
World History
B.S., N.W.M.S.



Amidst the books and files of the social studies office, Mr. Leonard Thompson spends an afternoon mod forming the next day's lesson.

At left, the Middle East delegations meet in the Park College Chapel, while *below,* Jerry Short ram rods a group meeting of the European nations.

Carole Brentson
American History
B.A., U.M.K.C.

Ella Mary DeVall
World History
M.A., Nebraska U.

Joan Gearhart
American History
B.A., Wittenberg Col.

Jim Hagan
American History
American Heritage
M.Ed., M.U.

Frank Holwick
World History
B.S., Emporia State

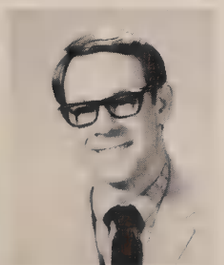
David Lindsey
Family Life
B.A., K.S.U.

Annette Luyben
Contemporary Issues
B.S., K.U.

Jane Mace
Family Life
B.S., Minnesota U.

Marcia Moore
Special Education
M.A., C.M.S.

Tom Swan
American History
Geography
B.A., Pittsburg State



Jim Taylor
American History
M.S.Ed., N.W.M.S.

Leonard Thompson
Psychology
M.A., Memphis State

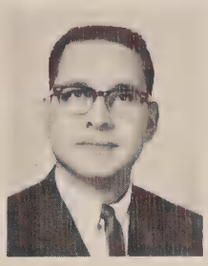
Duane Vincent
Psychology
World History
M.A., U.M.K.C.

Originality inspires art, photo classes

With the aid and encouragement of talented instructors, students expressed themselves in many facets of the art field. Photography classes provided opportunities for selected Oakies to learn the basic techniques of photo composition, developing, and printing. These photographers, who enjoyed one of the best-equipped labs in the area, prepared for future work on the publication staffs—the *Cambia* or the "Log."

Beginning artists enrolled in art I, while more experienced students completed projects for courses such as art IV and applied arts and designs. These classes strove to sharpen the sense of visual awareness, to round out the student's education, and to develop individual self-expression and self-reliance. Emphasis rested on the representational use of still life and sketchbook as a source of reference from which to work. Elementary art courses offered a basic foundation including techniques of drawing, perspective, and color. More advanced students explored printmaking, ceramics, silversmithing, and sculpture, as well as more varied paint medias and drawings. These advanced students were often allowed to work independently within a class framework.

Kenneth Bell
Photography
Yearbook, Amer. His.
M.A., C.M.S.



Barry Kennedy
Art
M.S., R.I. School of Design

Jo Anne Kreighbaum
Art
B.A., Fort Hays St.

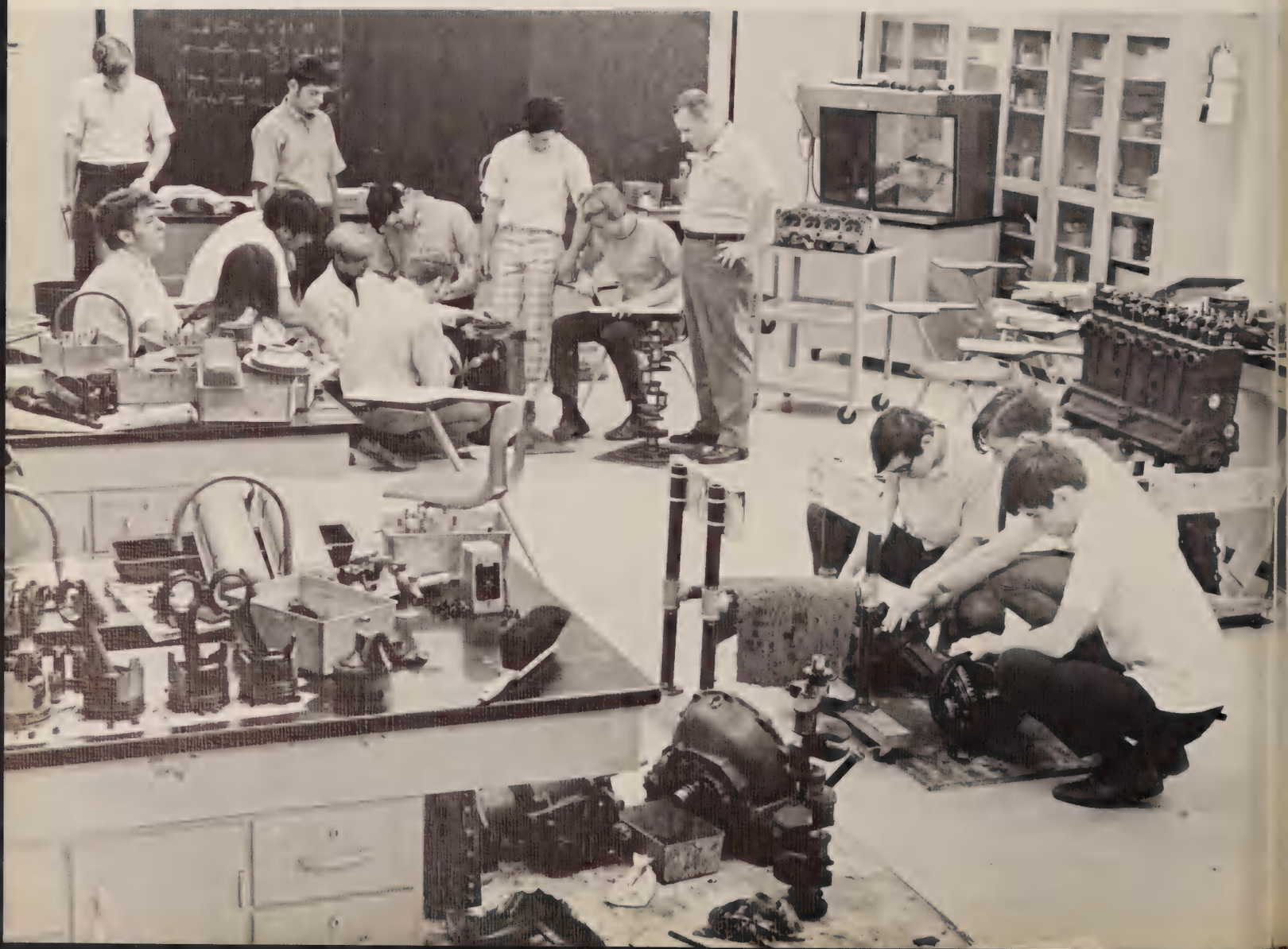
Jeanne Lawing
Art
B.S., Cen. Col.

At left, Mrs. Jane Lawing video-tapes the wide assortment of art III activities, while, *above,* the photography class takes advantage of the snow for some varied action shots.

Formulas baffle young scientists

The challenge to think, to study, to experiment, to discover, and to learn resounded through the math and science departments. Students, confronted on many levels from general math to advanced trigonometry and calculus, met the challenges with cries of triumph and despair at the illogical nature of logic. Laboratory science courses offered the student the opportunity to discover the make-up and nature of his environment. Biology, physical science, chemistry, and physics each presented different views and approaches to the study of the scientific world. Blackboards of the science rooms covered with $NaC1_3$, ATP, and similar symbols revealed the concentrated study and effort by the science students. On unscheduled mods, students performed laboratory experiments giving teachers more time for individual student help.

Lynn Walsh and Vicky Ward work on their ecology project, while, *below,* Mr. Loren Jeffers oversees the efforts of his physical science class as they delve into the complexities of motor mechanics.



Gerald Amorosa
Biology
M.S., U.M.K.C.

Merlin Baker
Algebra, Trig.
M.A., C.M.S.

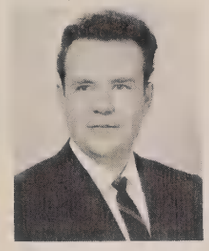
Ronald Beckham
Physics, Algebra
M.S., C.M.S.

Tom Birmingham
Basic Math, Geom.
B.S., K.U.

Merton Hoch
Algebra, Geom.
M.A., U.M.K.C.

Don Lea
Chemistry
M.S., M.U.

May Phillips
Geometry
M.S., C.M.S.



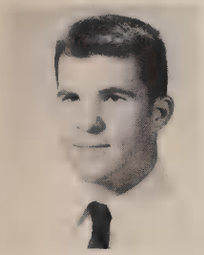
James Pulley
Biology
M.S., C.M.S.

Bill Radford
Basic Business
Algebra, Geometry
B.S., K.U.

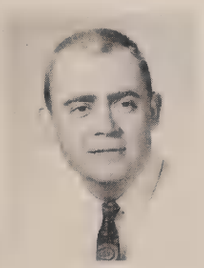
Richard Richardson
Algebra, Trig.
M.Ed., M.U.

Larry Steinmeyer
Biology
M.S., U.M.K.C.

Pat Turner
Algebra, Geometry
B.A., U.M.K.C.

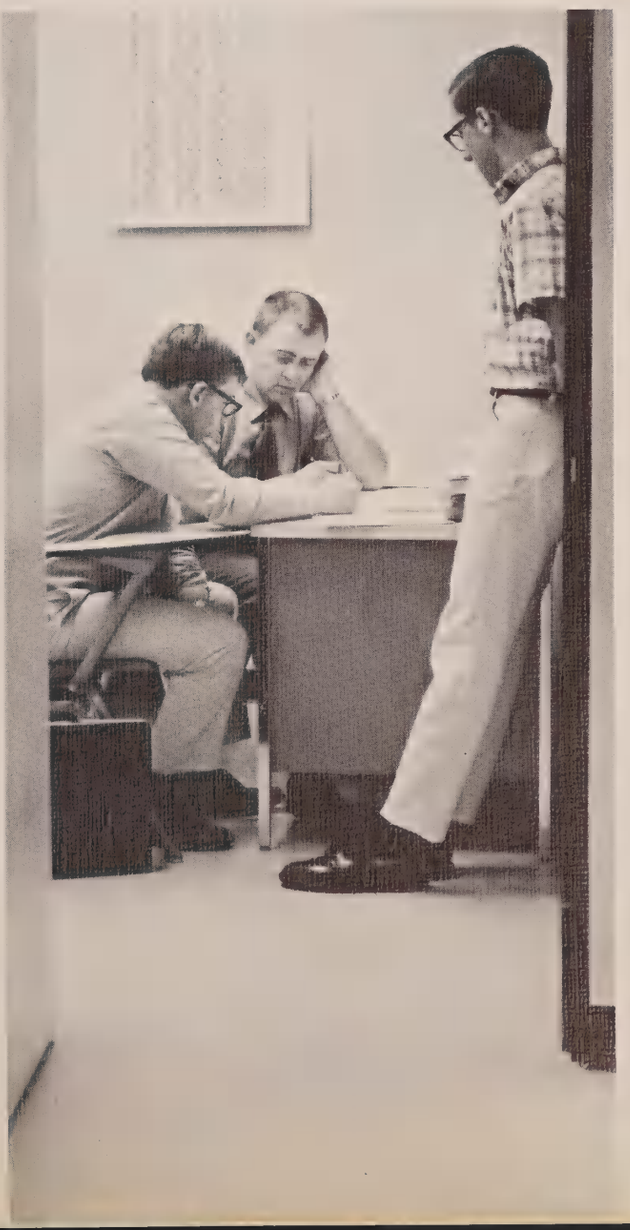


Steve Westfall
Biology, Phy. Sci.
B.A., M.U.



James Whitford
Basic Bus., Algebra
B.S. Ed., N.W.M.S.

Russ Reese cocks his net to catch another needed insect. *Below,* Mr. James Whitford works with Doug Gunselman and John Wildman on free mods.



Jerry Crews
Physical Education
M.S., C.M.S.

Jim Derry
Physical Education
M.Ed., M.U.

Gladden Dye
Physical Education
Ed. Sp., C.M.S.

Nancy Hudson
Physical Education
M.A., C.M.S.

Floyd Klang
Phy. Ed., Gym.
M.Ed., M.U.

Beverly Powell
Physical Education
B.S., C.M.S.

Richard Powers
Physical Education
Family Life
M.A., Wyoming U.

Susan Reuter
Physical Education
B.A., M.U.

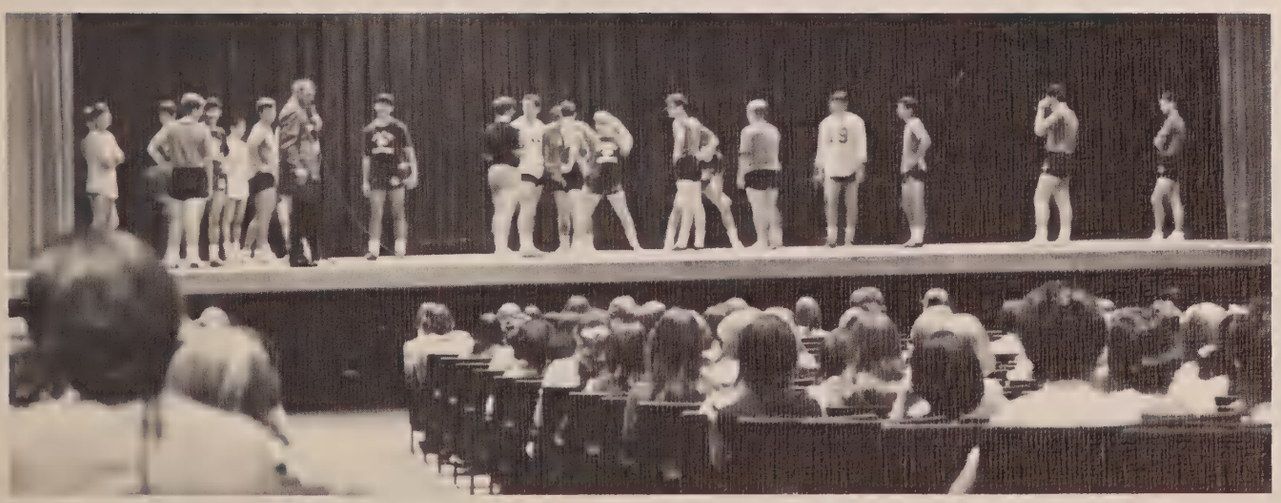
Carol Shropshire
Tumbling
B.A., M.U.

Mrs. Nancy Hudson's girls' physical education class tees off in the morning mist.

Gymnastics add to fitness program

Oak Park's physical education departments stressed fitness through programs of group and individual sports, weight lifting, and calisthenics. Emphasizing flag football, field hockey, volleyball, basketball, and softball, the physical education department gave students an opportunity to practice sportsmanship and team work. Bowling, tennis, and similar activities encouraged the promotion of individual skills and abilities in organized classes of sophomore physical education, recreational sports, tumbling, and a new addition, gymnastics. This new class gave members opportunities to develop talents in tumbling, floor exercises, the side horse, horizontal (high bar), and the steel rings. The members of the class performed during some of the half-time programs at home basketball games.

Jerry Bell and the gymnastic team performs during halftime at a basketball game. Other members of the team pictured are *left to right:* Steve Bowen, Greg Griffith, Brian Jones, and Randy Moore.



Coach Dye and the football team demonstrate the fine points of football to a girls' education class.

A Cappella Choir

Eva Allen
Becky Anderson
Cheryl Bailey
Sandy Beall
Merilee Bealmear
Jerry Bell
Bill Beyer
Janet Bollinger
Kris Bowlin
Rocky Buchan
Greg Buckmaster
Rodger Burger
Allison Cartmill
Connie Clemens
Mary Cook
Tina Courter
Cheryl Cox
Dave Crim
Don Crowder
Linda Crowder
Chris Cromwell
Kathy Cutting
Donna Deister
Ed Donner
Linda Dowell
Barbara Draper
Dianne Drews
Ganne Duncan
Jon Elliot

Denise Farnum
Sandy Filsinger
Sue Finch
Diane Gambrel
Dale Gilbreath
Nita Goens
Lauri Goodson
Sherry Griswald
Frank Groteluchen
Ken Grove
Johnette Gunier
Carolyn Hays
Pat Holmes
Jay Howard
Diana Jackson
Ed Jemison
Larry Jenkins
Janet Kavannaugh
Kathy Keesee
Laura Knapp
Don Knecht
Rick Larson
Charlene Lassiter
Meg Lear
Debby Ledgerwood
Susan Mace
Paul Mallory
Susan Malone
Debi Mattox

Sharon Meek
Karen Meeker
Gary Miller
Marsha Miller
Randy Miller
Roberta Miller
Kathy Moffatt
Randy Moore
Rhonda Moore
Teresa Moore
Debbie Moss
Bill Murray
Cathy McClure
Mike McDaniels
Kathy Nielson
Leanne Nicholson
Shelly Nugent
Laverne Phillips
Robbie Ragland
Dan Raines
Steve Ramsey
Debbie Rector
Barb Reese
Jim Robbins
Linda Robertson
Barbara Sabol
Linda Sanders
Angie Santa Maria

Steve Schnare
Janet Short
Carolyn Skinner
Dale Speelman
Sara Springer
Dianne Stark
Paul Stevenson
Ramona St. James
Jan Taylor
Bob Templeton
Janet Terrell
Barb Thompson
Don Treichel
Sharon Tucker
Debbie Wakefield
Debbie Warrens
Greg Wells
Gayle West
Sandy West
Peggy Westbay
Joann Westfall
Patty White
Sue Whitlow
Kathy Williams
Nancy Williams
Carol Wolf
Sandi Woodard

Bill Grace
Glee Club
A Cappella
Recreational Music
M.A., C.M.S.

Voices resound in enthused song

Over 400 students participated in the many activities sponsored by Mr. Bill Grace and the vocal music department. A Cappella, the main performing group, grew increasingly active. After a successful Fall Concert, Christmas concerts were given at Linden West Elementary School and at Oak Park. The "Messiah" highlighted these holiday performances. Boy's Glee Club and Girl's Glee Club had a part in these concerts, as well as at many assemblies and other activities. Two new groups, the Madrigals, who concentrated on Renaissance literature, and the Oak Street Singers, a swingin' "pop" group, drew enthusiastic applause at their many performances. Oak Park musicians hosted various area schools during the year. A Cappella performed in a concert with Truman and Raytown South in the spring.

In spite of the weather, Oak Street Singers enjoy a snowy evening of Christmas caroling.

James Chandler
Band
Orchestra
Harmony and Theory
Applied Music
M.Ed., M.U.

Above, the combined instrumental and vocal departments join for the finale of the spring concert, "America the Beautiful." *Below,* Mr. James Chandler, conducts the orchestra in a medley of well-known tunes.

Melodies linger in fine arts halls

Mr. Chandler's Instrumental Music students had myriad opportunities to demonstrate their talents during the year. Pep Band promoted spirit at pep assemblies and basketball games. Events in Concert Band's schedule included concerts at Oak Park and Northtown. Stage Band performed at "Blue Spotlights" and other school and community affairs. Concert Orchestra remained the main orchestral group and gained experience through playing at exchange concerts and clinics at William Chrisman, Truman, and Northtown. Chamber Orchestra, newly organized, gave exceptional musicians a chance to gain a "pop" sound with a smaller group, and selected players performed in Pit Orchestra for the musical, "Oklahoma!"

Modular scheduling supplied the time needed for ensemble and solo work. A clinic was held in May at which Harry Lantz, a famous musician, came to evaluate the progress of these young instrumentalists.

Concert Band

Flutes

Carol Pettibone
Kathy Mathis
Marion Davis
Anne Willoughby
Susan Mitchell
Kristy Gamble
Teri Adams
Karla Smallwood
Vickie Carsten
Kathy Coulter

Clarinet

Pam Stelter
Julie Taylor
Debbie Cusic
Janice Swick
Jerry Anderson
Marsha Greene
Steve Zaragosa
Scott Willoughby
Jim Oroark
Dan Umsceid

Bass Clarinet

Kim Williams

Centra Bas Clarinet

Russell Reese

Oboe

Marcia Seever
Paulette Schultz

Bassoon

Joe Jahrling
Mary Ann Ryczek

Alto Sax

Dennis White
Gary Minor
Tom Bechtel

Tenor Sax

Alan Moon
Greg Heiberg
David Asby

Baritone Sax

Scott Scharhag

Trumpets

Dean Jones
Nancy Smemo

Cornet

Cliff Dawson
Bill Robinson
Dave Moody
Dave Dreis
Lee Messenger
Gary Williams
Mark Cunningham
Mary Cook
Ron Kosman
Joe Davis
Judd Dickson
Mike Ogden

Horn

David Bird
Mike Haer
Tom Atkins
Tom Lanio
Jeff Wolfer
Marvin Foltz

Baritone

Brenda Cox
Linda Disharoon
Steve Kearns
Dennis Ferguson
Dan McArtor

Trombone

Steve Lemp
Jerry Bell
Joe Carpenter
Mark Revenaugh
Jeff Turner
Greg Nesmith
Paul Wonderly

Bass

John Judy
Paul Nail
Brian Smith

Drum

Bill Reid
Barry Schneider
Mark Esteb
Roger Meeks
Jody Littlefield
Mike Mayabb
Walt Reynolds
David Miller
Gary Fischer
Craig Morris

Orchestra

Violin

Shirley Playter
Brenda Cox
Tom Lawrence
Mindy Milstead
Cheryl Albin
Sandy Cox
Nancy Schurle
Kay Putnam
Garrold Stillman
Judy Welch
Earlene Koons
Gerre Noble

2nd Violins

Kent Carlson
Joe Whitfield
Mark Dudley
Henry Chu
George Townsend
Rick Turner
Cathy Abshire
Doyle Newhouse
Paula Allumbaugh
Linda Minor
Chris Cromwell

Viola

Susan Whitlow
Laura Knapp
Sue Ann Brower
Linda Sanders
Sherry Griswold
Ellen Douglas
Vivian Crissman
Nancy Stewart
Sherry Helms

Cello

Marty Henderson
Holly Gullen
Pam Rhed
Nancy Merrill
Debbi Nauman
Nancy Hornaday
Valerie Thompson

Bass

Sharon Mark
Brian Tubbesing
Ken Hornaday

Flute

Sarah Kent
Carol Pettibone
Marion Davis

Oboe

Paulette Schultz
Juanita Hornaday
Jackie Houghton

Bassoon

Mary Ann Ryczek
Joe Jahrling

Clarinet

Pam Stelter
Scott Willoughby
Larry Walker

Alto Sax

Warren Brown

French Horn

Gary Carne
David Bird

Trumpets

Nancy Smemo
Mike McDaniel
Vickie Sausser

Trombone

Steve Van Keirsbilck
Mark Revenaugh

Drums

Randy Miller
Larry Baldwin

Marching band along with majorettes and bannerettes perform precision drills during half-time ceremonies.

Ready for precision marching are bannerettes Debbie Sells, Mindy Milstead, Jill Sampson, Linda Scott, Lynn Duncan, Nancy Crane, Sharon Mark, Gayle West, Pam Rhed, Juanita Hornaday, Linda Sanders, Paulette Schultz, Linda Jenkins, Diane Nordyke, and Reena Campbell. Not pictured are Ellen McCarrick and Eileen McCarrick.

Groups display marching skills

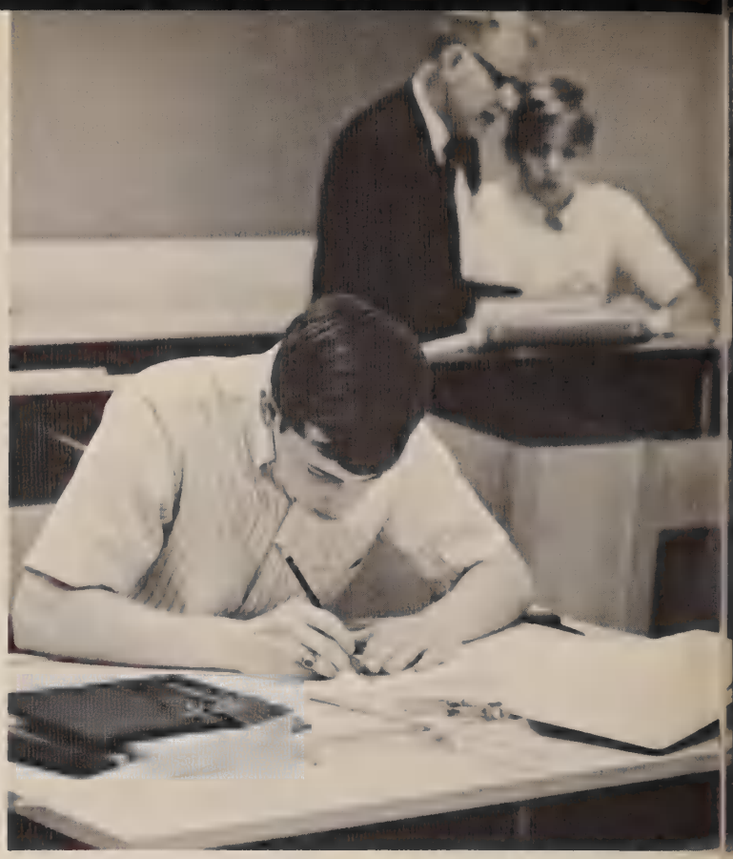
Marching band performed at football pre-games and half-time. Appearing with them were the majorettes, and the new additions, the bannerettes and pom pon girls. During the half-time performances, the band executed complicated figures while playing contemporary songs.

Majorettes practiced during and after school developing routines with the fire batons, hoops, and flags. The bannerettes, new to Oak Park, performed drills while carrying the colors of the Suburban-Eight conference schools while pom pon girls carried out lively dance routines accompanied by the band. In addition to school appearances, the marching band, majorettes, bannerettes, and pom pon girls performed in the Gladstone and the American Royal parades.

Majorettes Leslie Highfill, Janice Fleck, Karen Gercken, and Lynn Pohl flanking head majorette, Joann Westfall, display showmanship necessary for performances.

Home, wood skills aid students' careers

Smells of tempting casseroles and fresh sawdust evidenced the presence of the industrial arts and homemaking rooms. The majority of students enrolled in either a homemaking or industrial arts course. These courses were designed to give students a realistic approach to practical education. Students learned the satisfaction of working with their hands to create lasting evidence of their efforts. Industrial arts students produced intricate drawings and sturdy furniture while new dresses and savory dishes left the homemaking departments. Modular scheduling alleviated the previous problem of lack of time by allowing students to complete projects on unscheduled time.



Harold Legler concentrates on working with his straight edge as Mr. Welch advises Brad Hayes.

Elizabeth Collings
Home Economics
Interior Decorating
M.Ed., Colorado U.

Robert Craft
Advanced Metal
General Metal
M.S., Kansas St.

Dan Duane
Crafts, Gen. Wood,
Electricity
B.A., N.W.M.S.

LaJune Garner
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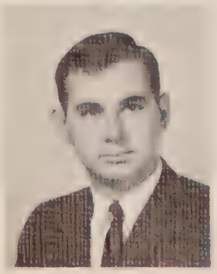


Jim Streu
Crafts
B.S., C.M.S.

Clyde Welch
Drafting
M.Ed., M.U.

Don Wyrick
Drafting
B.A., Pittsburg State

Senior Bonnie Miller models her creation during a home economics fashion show, The Fashion Rebellion.

Ed McKenzie, Doug Thomas, and Gary Crispin apply learned techniques to their own handiwork.

Marsha Farmer, Connie Clemens, and Anna Johnson plant tulips in the Home Ec courtyard.

Loggers receive first A + rating

Publication innovations encouraged and promoted a wider range of interested readers for the Oak Park High School newspaper, the *Log*. The application of the grey screening process which emphasized the name plate and the leading editorials, the introduction of a better quality of paper for a more attractive appearance, the utilization of duo-tones and spot color, as in the Christmas issue, and the revamping of the head-line system on lay-outs produced an individualistic and original high school publication. The staff's efforts were rewarded with their first A + rating.

The driving ideals behind the Log staff, versatility and flexability, proved advantageous in developing and accomplishing the credo of the newspaper staff of informing the student body of different activities occuring in and out of school in a stimulating and instructive manner.

The basketball game between the "successful" WHB disc jockeys and the "talented" men faculty contributed to the financial aspect of the paper. In May, a trip to Six Flags over Texas proved an enjoyable diversion from the diligent work required to publish a vital and accurate record of school activities.

The 1969-70 staff and the 1970-71 editor actively partook at the annual *Log* Banquet. Each member of the staff was requested to "do his own thing" in the way of talent. Not lacking in wit, the staff succeeded in creating a humerous finale to the year.

Editor . . . . . Rick Knoch
Editorial Editors . . . . . Jack Beers
Joe Barnes
Debbie Grantham
Peggy Westbay
Feature Editors . . . . . Candy Hargrove
Elaine Jordan
Ad Layout . . . . . Teri Wilson
Kathy Williams
Sports Editors . . . . . Bob Smith
Bill Murray
Mark Dudley
Anita Parvin
Richard Reed
Circulation Mgr. . . . . Vicki McDonald
Business Mgr. . . . . Sharon Stephens
Photographers . . . . . Joe Jahrling
Wayne Cope
Charles Cottrell
Advisor . . . . . Mr. Lynn Blair

A log cabin provides an apropos background to the newspaper staff. *On top* of the roof are Bob Smith, Joe Barnes, Rick Knoch, and Jack Beers. *At left* are Bill Murray, Elaine Jordan, Mark Dudley, Sharon Stephens, and sponsor, Mr. Lynn Blair. *At right* are top row: Anita Parvin, Teri Wilson, Peggy Westbay, Debbie Grantham, and bottom row, Candy Hargrove, Wayne Cope, and Richard Reed.

Staff cooperates during work, play

Dividing into special committees the 1969-1970 *Cambia* staff attempted to fulfill its responsibility of developing a book that would satisfactorily remind the largest of Oak Park's student populations of an exciting and different year. Many unscheduled mods and after school time were devoted to preparing for the annual Coronation Ball, the football games with various school organizations, and the never-ending work involved in aptly recording student activities.

Creativity and originality, key words in the *Cambia* room, prompted the staff to vigorous activity in order to meet the high standards they had set, as well as the expectations set up by the students. Although specified for certain committees, the staff generally worked as a team helping each of the committees of copy, cover and division page designs, and individual pictures.

Linda Ewing, with the large responsibility of chairman of individual pictures, worked avidly to ascertain whether every student's picture would be found in the yearbook. Sarah Kent, Peggy Prucha, Joann Westfall, Carolyn Hays, and Per Wahlstrom carried the responsibility in accomplishing this job. LaRu Klang, Susan Whitlow, Jerry Short, Brooks Kenagy, and Mike Haer provided copy stories for the book. These people also assisted on individual pictures and cover ideas.

Brooks Kenagy also maintained the duties of business manager, handling the money for the books and other expenses. Debbie Guthrie, co-editor of the book, attempted to coordinate these committees.

Nancy Hull, also co-editor, held charge of the photographers, Bobby Barnett, Randy Miller, Geoffrey Rollert, Paulette Schultz, and Marilyn Eissler. These people created the cover and division page layouts as well as the pictured student activities throughout the book. Mr. Kenneth Bell, supervisor of the book, guided the staff as they strived for a well-rounded memory of a changing year at Oak Park.

The Cambia staff cools off in the waters of Line Creek. They are, *top row:* Mike Haer, Debbie Guthrie, LaRu Klang, Geoffrey Rollert, Carolyn Hays, Jerry Short, Susan Whitlow, Joann Westfall, Brooks Kenagy, and sponsor Mr. Kenneth Bell. *Bottom row* includes: Linda Ewing, Per Wahlstrom, Nancy Hull, Paulette Schultz, Sarah Kent, Peggy Prucha, and Randy Miller.

Counselors offer personal guidance

The counseling department, with its staff of five counselors and a secretary, grew increasingly important as modular scheduling created unique problems in class schedules. Counselors aided in developing work and study habits in order that students could adapt to the new scheduling system. In addition to assisting students with personal problems, the counselors administered tests, supervised enrollment procedures, and provided information about college and career choices. To aid juniors and seniors in planning their future education, the department coordinated such events as College Night, where students could talk with representatives from colleges and trade schools of many types. The five counselors also wrote letters of recommendation and aided ambitious Northmen in their search for job opportunities.

Other aids for the student were provided by Mrs. Ruth Klopfenstein on vocational guidance and Mr. John Shank, the speech correctionist. The counseling office secretary, Mrs. Betty Holman, took charge of the endless job of corresponding with various schools and setting up appointments for the students.

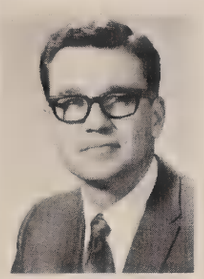
Mrs. Christine Todd converses on one of her many telephone calls received during counseling.

Mr. Jim Draper talks with one of his counselee.

Mr. Rolan Gorhan and Mrs. Donna Thompson review test results.

Representatives from Southwestern Bell answer questions posed by Oak Park students.

Jim Draper
Counselor
M.A., Colo. St.



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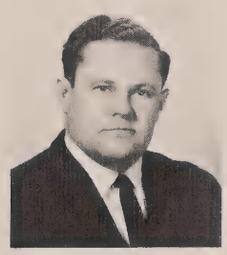
M.S., C.M.S.



Robert Shearer
Counselor
M.A., N.W.M.S.

Donna Thompson
Counselor
M.A., U.M.K.C.

Christine Todd
Counselor
M.Ed., Cincinnati U.

Betty Holman
Counseling Secretary

Ruth Klopfenstein
Vocational Counselor
M.A., Columbia U.

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Speech Correction
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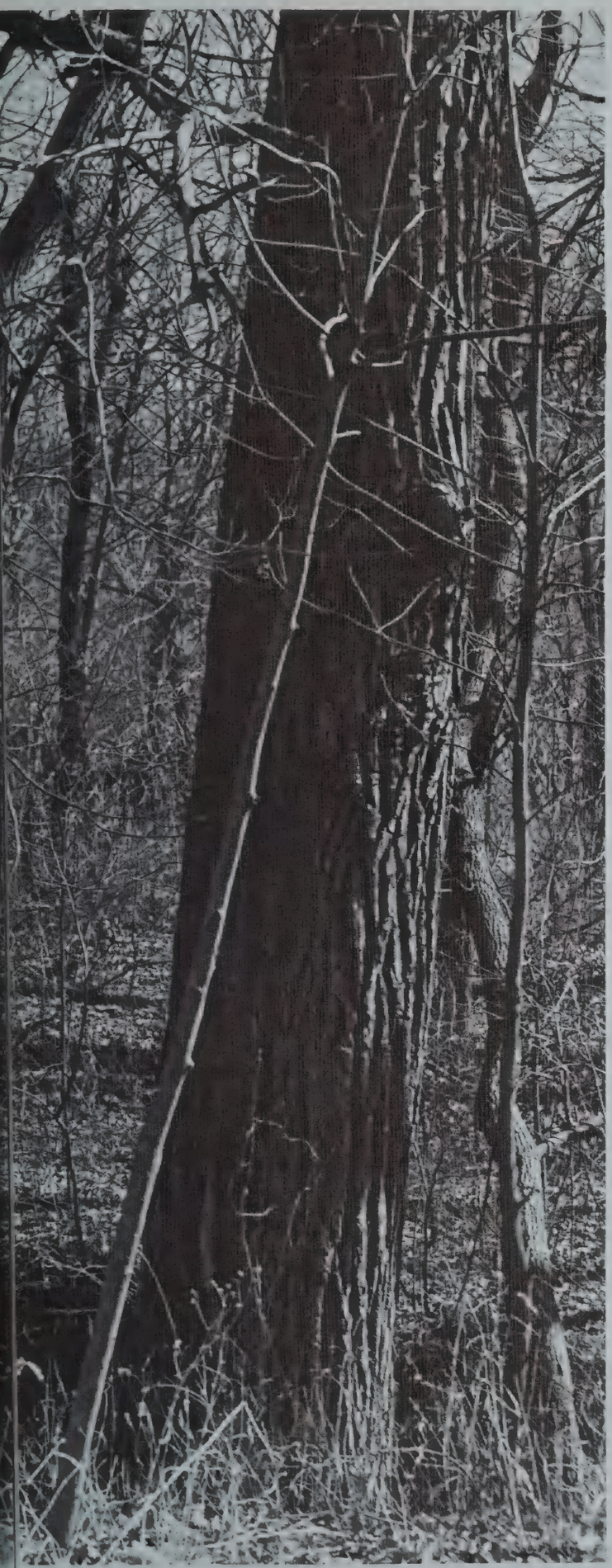
Mr. Robert Shearer adds his formidable build to the military display on Careers Day.

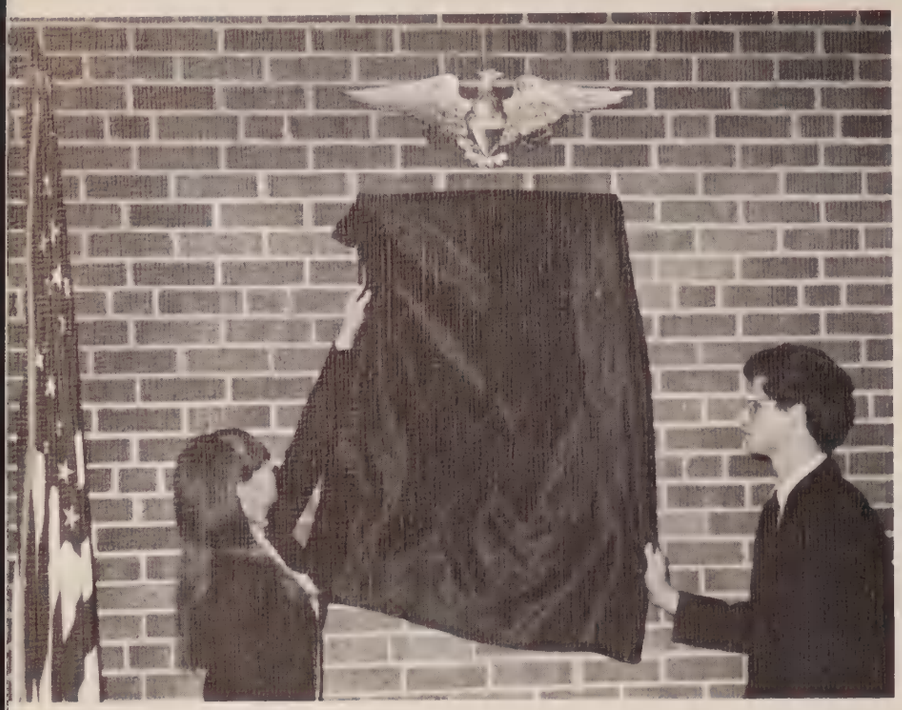


Clubs rendezvous in towering heights

Although modular scheduling provided time for the more avid students to do research in a special field, clubs formed for those who desired action and in depth studies. The annual language club carnival combined the efforts of the Spanish, French, and German clubs. Radio and weather club made field trips to the radio station and weather bureau. Pep club, the largest in Oak Park history, sponsored a new event, the Winter Sports Queen. A.F.S. introduced the students: Jose Gonzalez, Per Wahlstrom, Eva Perko, and Adriana Genta, who joined actively in the student life at Oak Park.

The variety in clubs from G.A.A. to Chess club led to a wide choice of extra-curricular activities in which to participate. Radio club took charge of repairing broken radios; weather club forecasted the weather daily, and Student Council strived for fuller student participation in school decisions.

Leadership and cooperation, two of the fulfilling products of extra-curricular activities, developed in many of the students as they learned to work together as a group. Providing an opportunity for becoming acquainted with students outside of class, the clubs sponsored field trips, service projects, and dances. An identity formed among many students with their special club, giving them a feeling of belonging to school life.



Brenda Bross, with the help of Stuco president Jack Beers, unveil the Vietnam memorial plaque.

To protect Oak Park's sign from vandalism, Rick Knoch mounts the plexi-glass cover.

Stuco officers, Rick Baehr, Jocelyn Thomsen, Jack Beers, and Mark Quigley select records for the juke box.

Student Council Presidents from Oak Park and North Kansas City, Jack Beers and Mike Fain lay the first row of bricks of Winnetonka as Board President Don Ewing and Superintendent R. B. Doolin watch.

Mr. Larry Clark sits amid the piles of canned food collected by Student Council for needy people at Christmas.

Changes create unified council

With the advent of modular scheduling, the basic structure and organization of Student Council under went extensive renovation. Unlike past elections this year's selection of representatives rested in the hands of each attendance class. Representing the students' views in council meetings, each council member worked to inspire communication and harmony between students, faculty, and administration. "Stucco" worked to solve problems and answer questions arising from the innovation of modular scheduling, along with planning projects to improve the overall aspect of school. Dances, exchange days, and assemblies such as programs offering information on the results of using LSD and alcoholism were attended by a large majority of the student body. Under the capable direction of Mr. David Hensel, the student government made great strides in improving attitudes and relationships throughout the school. The executive committee of Jack Beers, president; Rick Baehr, vice-president; Jocelyn Thomsen, secretary-treasurer; and Mark Quigley, sergeant-at-arms steered Student Council to success.

Two Northmen disguised as Hornets display the current fashion at North Kansas City High School during a pep assembly.

Action thrills the Pep Club

Pep Club, being the club that promoted the pep and spirit behind Oak Park's successful athletic seasons, carried out a program worthy of its name. Pep Club sold shakers, "I'm an Oakie" buttons, ribbons, and Homecoming corsages. Proceeds bought supplies used to decorate goal posts, make posters for the halls, and assemble homecoming decorations. The annual talent show, "Blue Spotlights," supplied Pep Club with yet another source of pride and income. To involve more girls, sophomore cheerleaders and pom pon girls were chosen and became an integral part of Pep Club. The overwhelming enthusiasm of its members, officers, and sponsors provided evidence of the club's success. Miss Annette Luyben and Mrs. Carol Shropshire headed its staff of faculty sponsors.

From left to right the general officers of Pep Club include: Sue Finch, sergeant-at-arms; Penny Wilson, secretary; Barb Thompson, president; Jane Duncan, vice-president; Karen Lewis, historian; and Jocleyn Thomsen, treasurer.

Sectional secretaries, top row, Gayle West, Jane Reed, Patty Morton, Linda Jenkins, and Linda Smith back up their presidents Sarah Kent, Debbie Sells, and Peggy Prucha. Not pictured is sectional secretary Mary Timmons.

Excited jumping causes a bench breakthrough. Sarah Kent and Nancy Hawver cart off the damage, while at right the Pep Club tensely awaits a pin.

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Varsity cheerleaders perform in the center of the gymnasium where they cheer their team to victory. Clockwise they are: Liz Nye, Beanie Asby, Gail Seney, Janet Hightower, Gail Arenson, and Susie Smith.

Pom pon girls, a new addition to the pep club, pause during a routine. They are left to right: Carla Cook, Debbie Peacher, Marsha Brown, Gina Koba, Patty Lynch, Debi Mattox, Connie Zinn, Melody Martin, Pam Schupp, Becky Anderson, Sharon Hoover, and Joyce Johnson.

Girls stimulate crowd enthusiasm

Several organized groups led Pep Club in its spirit inducing activities. Varsity cheerleaders formed the apex of the cheerleading corps. The skills and cheers they learned in summer cheerleading camp were perfected through long hours of practice and drills. Junior varsity and sophomore cheerleaders backed the varsity cheerleaders and were inaugurated into the art of leading a crowd. A new performance unit was added in the form of pom pon girls. This team of girls worked with the pep band in presenting precision dance routines.

In addition to the Pep Club, the sophomore cheerleaders show their skills. They are left to right: Lynn Edwards, Debbie Scott, Ann Brooks, and Pam Houser.

In pyramid formation the junior varsity cheerleaders are top, Kyle Adams, Nancy Neman, and Linda Wellons. Below are Anne Kuenzi, Krista Bratton, and Patty Woodson.

Above, Eva Perko and below, Per Wahlstrom display the AFS Bells for Peace.

Adriana Genta above, and *below,* Jose Gonzalez, decorate with Bells for Peace.

Park Hill's exchange student, Aziz, samples a foreign dish for Peggy Prucha and Elain Laird.

Carolyn Keith serves AFS student Jose Gonzalez, while Sarah Kent impatiently waits her turn.

Students greet foreign friends

The American Field Service, the worldwide youth exchange organization, carried a large part of the burden in increasing the understanding between foreign countries the world over. As in the past, the Oak Park AFS club worked on money-making projects with the purpose of raising enough money to finance both the foreign students as well as the Americans Abroad program. Bells for Peace, together with magazine sales, formed the basis of the money earned. The club's own version of the "Dating Game", hayrides, birthday and Christmas parties, and picnics, set off the year's activities. These events provided many chances for the Oak Park students to become acquainted with the foreign students: Adriana Genta, Uruguay; Jose Gonzalez, Spain; Eva Perko, Switzerland; and Per Wahlstrom, Sweden. Enthused by these students, Richard Reed and Cheri Wilson applied and qualified as finalists in the Americans Abroad program.

Peggy Prucha, president; Jocelyn Thomsen, vice-president; Elaine Laird, secretary; Holly Tankersly, historian; and Sarah Kent, treasurer; served as the club's officers. Sponsors, Mrs. Lou Ellen Paul, Mrs. Barbara Callaway, Mrs. Jo Anne Kreighbaum, and Miss Carole Brentson guided the club in their active year.

AFS officers, Holly Tankersley, Jocelyn Thomsen, Peggy Prucha, Sarah Kent, and Elaine Laird, review the agenda for their next meeting.

Winners of the good grooming contest, Connie Clemens and Brooks Kenagy appear in fashions sent into the national contest.

Bill Brandom, Connie Clemens, Bob Beers, Marcia Gehrs, Rick Knoch, Linda Marshall, members of the Avon Fashion Panel, plan poster advertising good grooming contest.

Students define grooming trends

Created to provide females an opportunity to express themselves in a feminine manner, Home Harvesters was sponsored by Miss Elizabeth Collings and the homemaking department. Home Harvesters carried out many activities including the sale of gym bags, trips to the Flower and Garden Show, and a variety of speakers and demonstrations. An annual cook-out provided a finale for the year. Sharon Berges, president and representatives; Phyllis Steiz, Nita Goens, Cherylene Terril, Sandy Carpenter, Debora Follin, Gail Castellani, Cheryl Cox, and Kathy Coulter headed Home Harvesters.

New to Oak Park, the Avon company sponsored a Good Grooming Contest which involved forty-five schools in the nation. The judges, Dr. Dan Kahler, Mr. Kenneth Bell, Miss Elizabeth Collings, Mrs. LaJune Garner, and Mrs. Laurannah Kyser, evaluated the contestants who entered from the sophomore, junior and senior classes. The applicants were judged on personal appearance. Oak Park Finalists were Connie Clemens and Brooks Kenagy. The national winners won a trip to New York where they were awarded fashionable clothes and had their pictures on the Avon Good Grooming posters across the country.

Officers of the Home Harvester Club take time to tour new homes in the Parade of Homes. They are Sharon Berges, Nita Goens, (upper window) Sandy Carpenter, Gail Castellani, (lower window) Cherylene Ferril, Phyllis Steitz.

Mary Gladow, Sandy Carpenter, and Sharon Berges discuss and examine their future silver patterns.

Key Club provides community service

An international service organization sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, Key Club consisted of a group of boys interested in community service. The club provided the refreshments sold at football and basketball games. April third and fourth saw Key Club members attending the Annual District Convention in Overland Park, Kansas. For the first time in the club's history, Oak Park's Key Club elected a Club Sweetheart. Contestants were judged on appearance, poise, and participation in community and school projects. Melody Martin, chosen as sweetheart, was the first girl at Oak Park to receive the honor. Mr. David Rettenmaier, faculty advisor, worked with the student officers: Dennis Stratton, president; Peter Cerra, vice-president; Tim Hinkel, secretary; and Steve Henderson, treasurer.

Tim Hinkel fills a box of popcorn to sell for Key Club.

Melody Martin, Key Club sweetheart, samples a bag of Key Club popcorn.

Dennis Stratton follows the instructions of Mr. John Hagan and Mr. David Rettenmaier in completing the Key Club insignia.

Mike Watts makes a sale to two young Northmen supporters.

Key Club members, **Rick Pratt**, **Dennis Stratton**, **Tim Hinkel**, Peter Cerra, Greg Williams, **Mike Biondi**, and Mike Gunselman, serve their community by cleaning up trash off the roadside.

On a tour of the Weather Forecast Center, the students listen attentively to radar equipment, while sponsor, Mr. John Kistner converses with Mr. Alan Pearson, director of NSSFC.

Mike Watts explains the barometric pressure chart to Don Taylor and Greg Roberts.

Mike Watts records data from his equipment for the daily weather report.

Students explore complex mechanics

Weather Club, using their own instruments in a courtyard of the school, provided daily weather forecasts over the intercom. The club also sponsored monthly field trips to the Weather Bureau Forecast Center downtown. The diligent work of these young weathermen provided a better understanding of the various aspects of meteorology for Oak Park students and faculty. Members elected Mike Watts as president and Mike Glossip as secretary-treasurer, while Mr. John Kistner sponsored the club.

Mr. Edward Pfitzner's Blue Knights again completed a successful year. The Chess Club, with over twenty-five members, attended various tournaments throughout Missouri and neighboring states. The Lawrence Open during October launched a series of outstanding contests during the 1969-1970 season. On February 14, they sponsored a tournament at Oak Park to which twelve teams received invitations. First, second, and third place as well as divisional trophies were awarded to the winners. A Ranking Board with the successes of all club members was displayed in the hall and a prize of $1.00 was awarded to any non-member who could defeat the two top-ranking members. Elected as officers were: Richard Carmack, president; Gary Sheumaker, vice-president; and Danny Crowder, secretary-treasurer.

Sponsored by Mr. Charles Ballah, Radio Club consisted of students interested in a working knowledge of electricity. Throughout the year the members studied radio theory and repair as they gained practical knowledge and experience by working on and repairing broken sets. Some members expressed plans to pursue a career in the field of electricity. Greg Roberts, Vince Neumann, Mike Watts, John Havercamp and Larry Childers maintained the offices.

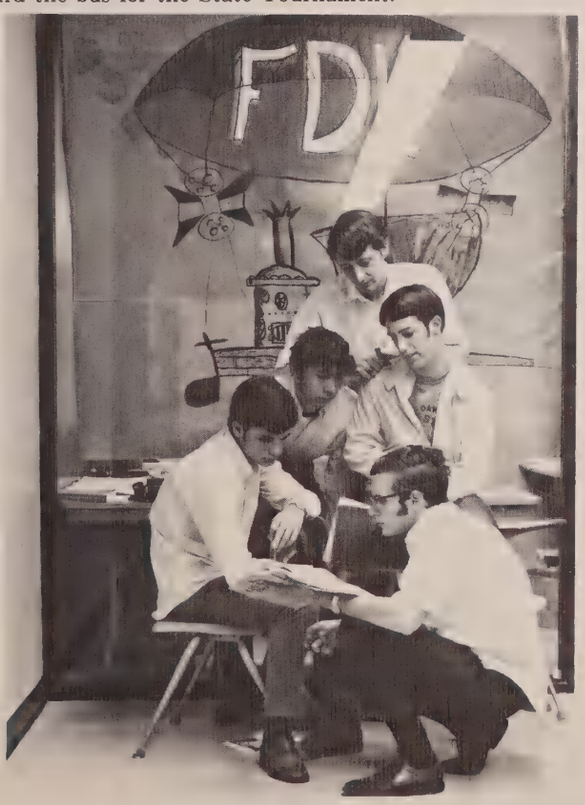
John Havercamp and Mike O'Connor examine Radio Club's electronic equipment.

Jay Coffer, Bruce Hines, Chuck Capen, and Terry Shuman concentrate on their next move. Below, Dave Trotter, Mike O'Connor, and Earl Dowell test out a radio circuit board.

The prop room provides a convenient meeting place for hard-working Thespians; top left: Dave Ockerstrom, Jamie Evans, Janet Terrel, Dave Asby, Pam Crawford, Glenna Love, Jerry Bell, second row: John Judy, Sandy Bauman, John Elliot, La Ru Klang, Steve Ramsey, Susie Day, Nan Hays; third row: Don Colley, Wayne Cope, and Debbie Wakefield.

Wayne Cope discusses prop designs with drama club members: Anna Johnson, Shirley McCormick, Arla Johnson, Janet Richardson, Sandy Bauman, and Gary Sheumaker.

Susie Day and Jamie Evans enjoy some of Mr. Russ Usnick's unique humor while waiting for the rest of the group to board the bus for the State Tournament.



The N.F.L. officers evaluate their points. Going clockwise are debate coach, Mr. Russell Usnick, Steve Hester, Les Weaver, Glenn Stout, and John Anderton.

Drama inspires inborn talents

An Oak Park club dealing with stage arts was Thespians Club. This honorary club, open to all students who had earned a set number of points by participation in various aspects of dramatic productions, was an extension of the National Honor Society of Drama Enthusiasts. The organization had two major aims: to strive for an increased membership and to accumulate funds for the Benny Herrick Scholarship. Thespians was under the direction of president, Susie Day; vice-president, Wayne Cope; secretary, Nan Hays; treasurer, Debbie Wakefield; and sergeant-at-arms, Steve Ramsey.

"Break a leg, stage right, and dim the houselights" became well-known phrases to those who participated behind the scenes of Oak Park's dramatic productions. The majority of those involved in performances gained membership in Drama Club. Besides working before the footlights, Drama Club attended various professional programs and planned many exciting parties. Members toiled diligently earning money for the Benny Herrick scholarship. Work projects such as car washes and selling refreshments during play intermissions provided the necessary funds. President, Nan Hays; vice-president, Wayne Cope; secretary-treasurer, Gary Sheumaker; sergeant-at-arms, John Judy; and sponsor, Mrs. Faye Coleman led the club.

National Forensic League, a nationwide organization for the promotion of public speaking, wrote an interesting chapter in the history of Oak Park's speech and debate departments. Membership requirements dictated that students must acquire twenty-five contest points before being eligible for acceptance in the club. Forensic tournaments throughout Missouri and Kansas offered participants a chance to earn contest points and pack the trophy case with awards. Honors included a first place in debate and oratory at the St. Louis and Springfield tournaments.

Sponsoring Oak Park's second annual Debate and Forensic Tournament December fifth and sixth, NFL saw representatives from twenty-five different schools entering in debate and individual events. High honors from this contest went to Fort Osage High School for the best overall performance. Serving as NFL officers were Steve Hester, president; John Anderton, vice-president; Lila Clegg, secretary; Les Weaver, treasurer; and Glenn Stout, historian.

Creativity typifies art club members

Functioning under the leadership of Rick Knoch, Art Club became a very "in" club. A paper mache "Paste-In", the first major activity, produced many interesting figures and designs made of paper and paste. Next came a "Cook-In", at which the kiln saw use as a pizza oven. Evidences of bizarre artistic abilities could be seen on prize-winning windows decorated for special Halloween celebrations in North Kansas City. Later members displayed more conventional artwork in the halls at Oak Park. As in the past, constructing sets for the musical formed another important project.

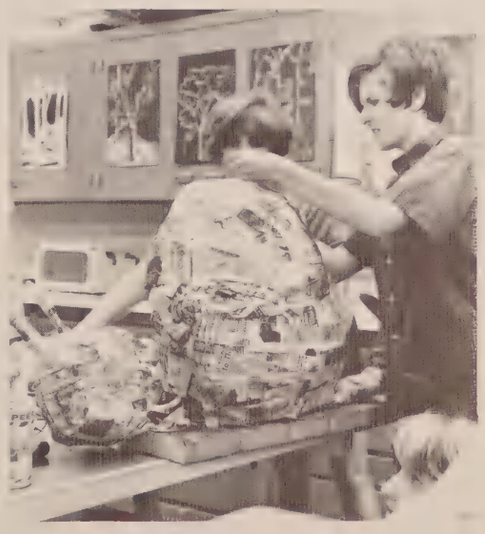
Mrs. Jeanne Lawing sponsored the club, while Pat Daugherty, vice-president; Mary Roque, secretary; Lynn Willis and Jane Reed, treasurers; and Doug Macken and Sharon Tucker, historians; comprised the other officers.

Mrs. Jeanne Lawing and Charley Duckworth work together to mustard a hotdog at the Art Club Cook-In.

Ken Shoffner and Mary Roque mount art handiwork while Kathy Jansen and Bill Allison decide appropriate layouts.

Linda Price, Dave Stout, and Linda Reifert work diligently on Oklahoma scenery.

Stephanie Bowlin leads a group of sophomores in designing a paper mache tree.



Sheri Stamper and Paula Flack design a paper mache sculpture. Left, Art Club officers Rick Knoch, Pat Daugherty, Lynn Willis, Jane Reed, and Doug Macken, explore their natural environment.

Modern dance club members Patty Morton, Penny Wilson, Karen Gercken, and Joann Westfall prepare for dance practice.

Expression frames purpose for clubs

Slide together, slide, hop! Led by Joan Westfall, president; Karen Gercken, vice-president; Paulette Schultz, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Nancy Hudson, sponsor, the Modern Dance Club stepped its way into a swinging season. Members of the club danced at the Homecoming assembly to the tune, "I Enjoy Being a Girl," and again demonstrated their abilities at Pep Club's "Blue Spotlights," interpreting the rumble scene from *West Side Story*. With the money earned by selling popcorn at Maple Woods Junior College games, this creative club of approximately thirty girls journeyed to Colorado for a ski trip.

Modern Music Masters, in conjunction with its national affiliation, attempted to promote a greater interest in and appreciation of instrumental and vocal music. Guest speakers demonstrated their musical knowledge at meetings. Ushering at Music Hall performances proved worthwhile and exciting for the young musicians. Tri-M members also entertained residents of orphanages and old-folk's homes during school vacations.

Along with Mr. James Chandler, sponsor, the executive committee included: Susan Whitlow, president; Nancy Smemo, vice-president; Linda Sanders, secretary; Cheryl Albin, treasurer; and Pam Stelter, historian.

Tri-M officers, Linda Sanders, Pam Stelter, Susan Whitlow, Nancy Smemo, and Cheryl Albin sound off in the band room.

Susan Whitlow and Janice Swick persuade Mr. James Chandler to purchase goodies at the Tri-M bake-sale.

Grace and agility marks the dance club members. Front row includes, Nancy Vaughn, Jeri Barton, Karen Gercken, Penny Wilson, Paulette Schultz, Linda Robertson, Barb Reese; middle row, Judy Heller, Eva Allen, Karen Kurgis, Joann Westfall, Kathy Compton, Becky Elder; back row, Lois Kraft, Sharon Meek, Diane Knoll, Sharon Neel, Jerene Moore, Melva Arney.

Language clubs boost interest

Sparked by the imagination of its president, Lu Larson, and sponsor, Mrs. Lynda Pate, French Club's scope of activities drew the interest and enthusiasm of all its members. The inauguration of the club's yearly events and the new members dominated the scene of the annual installation banquet. Representing Oak Park at the Antioch Charity Bazaar, French Club members raised enough money for an exciting trip in the spring. Highlighting the club's activities, a play of the "Night before Christmas" and a Baton Rouge night club scene were presented in the Little Theatre. Additional club officers included: Ray Smith, vice-president; Karen Lewis, recording secretary; Kathy Jones, corresponding secretary; Nancy Crane, treasurer; Jonny Lynn Vandewinkel, historian, and Alan Moon, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Over fifty new pledges shared a picnic and a candle-lit formal initiation in the Little Theater to become eligible to attend all Spanish Club activities. Among other events members enjoyed a Halloween hayride, an authentic Old Mexico banquet at Los Iberos, and a spirited Christmas party. Money raised in projects through the year provided eventful trips to a ski lodge in Colorado and to Six Flags Over Texas in the spring.

Mrs. Donna Johnson and Mrs. Rose Hall sponsored the club. Officers included Bruce Talley, president; Susan Whitlow, vice-president; Nadine Stokes, secretary; Cheryl Albin, treasurer; and Donna Deister, historian.

An enthusiastic German Club led by Richard Reed added many lively activities to the Oak Park schedule. Members shared the excitement of a hayride, the Oktoberfest, ice skating, and a ski trip to Estes Park, Colorado. Trips to the Mai Fest in Hermann and other German-centered activities all over Missouri highlighted the year.

An October bake sale, followed by the sale of hand-knitted stocking caps to provide money for scholarships became the first of many successful money-making projects. Rick Bowman, vice-president; Debbie Wadman, secretary; John Anderton, treasurer; Linda Sanders, historian; Kathy Keesee, sergeant-at-arms; and Kevin Moore, parliamentarian, completed the list of German Club officers. Mrs. Patty Zschoche sponsored the club.

Vickie Auch, Monica Heaton, and Alexis Broadbent swing in the can-can for the French night club scene.

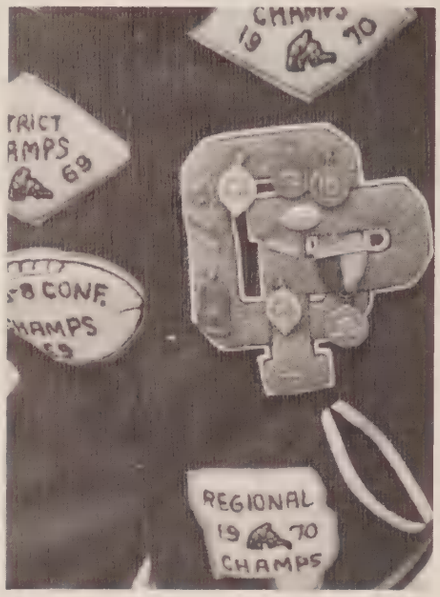
French club officers, Nancy Crane, Alan Moon, Karen Lewis, Lu Laursen, Ray Smith, Kathy Jones, and Jonny Lynn Vandewinkel choose market goods for the carnival.

Treasurer John Anderton flanked by Charlie Duckworth and Tom Wade display their German club uniforms.

German-made Volkswagens provide an appropriate back drop for the German club members.

Diane Jackson, Nadine Stokes, Bruce Talley, Cheryl Albin, and Susan Whitlow discuss the Spanish architecture with their sponsor Mrs. Donna Johnson.

Mark Revenaugh as Santa Claus makes his appearance as a feature at the combined language clubs' Christmas party.



The end product of many hours hard work decorates the front of a letter jacket. Below, Lettermen club members, Rick Baehr, Richard Henry, Mike Skaggs, Steve Ramsey and Chris Carver polish the many well-earned trophies of the athletic Northmen.

F.C.A. members, Frank Passantino, Frank Groteluschen, Marty Henderson, Gary Carne, and Rick Webster, display Chiefs' license plates to Farmland Industry employees.

Clubs advance physical fitness

Organized to promote the image of a Northman athlete, Lettermen's Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes involved themselves in many projects. Public relations, entertainment, and service committees executed the business of the clubs. F.C.A. members sold Chiefs' license plates to finance a trip to the National F.C.A. Conference. The entertainment committee of Lettermen's Club organized sleigh riding, moon-ball games, and a spring picnic.

Any boy earning a letter in a varsity sport was eligible for membership in Lettermen's Club. Four of these members led the club as its officers: president, Rick Baehr; vice-president, Mike Skaggs; secretary-treasurer, Chris Carver; and sergeant-at-arms, Richard Henry.

To stimulate interest in health careers, to further knowledge of students about various health career opportunities, and to provide extra-curricular activities for all high school students in these fields encompassed the purpose of the new Health Career Club at Oak Park. The club formed because many students approached the school nurse, Mrs. Mary Jane Helvey, with questions about the different health careers available. Designed not just for students contemplating the field of nursing, the club strives for an overall learning of career opportunities. Besides information given by their sponsor, Mrs. Helvey, field trips were taken to Trinity Lutheran Hospital. Officers of the club included Reena Campbell, president: Karen Henderson, vice-president; Suann Hendricks, secretary; Pat Wiltson, treasurer; Patty Huber, historian; and Jan Walker, sergeant-at-arms.

Reena Campbell assists Mrs. Jane Helvey in the proper technique of wrapping Suann Hendricks' wrist. At right, Reena Campbell listens attentively to the Health Club speaker, Mr. Walter Smith, physical therapist at N.K.C. Hospital.

At left, Dave Silvey escapes Rob Sharp for a short gain, while right, Mike Manning juggles the ball as opponents close in.

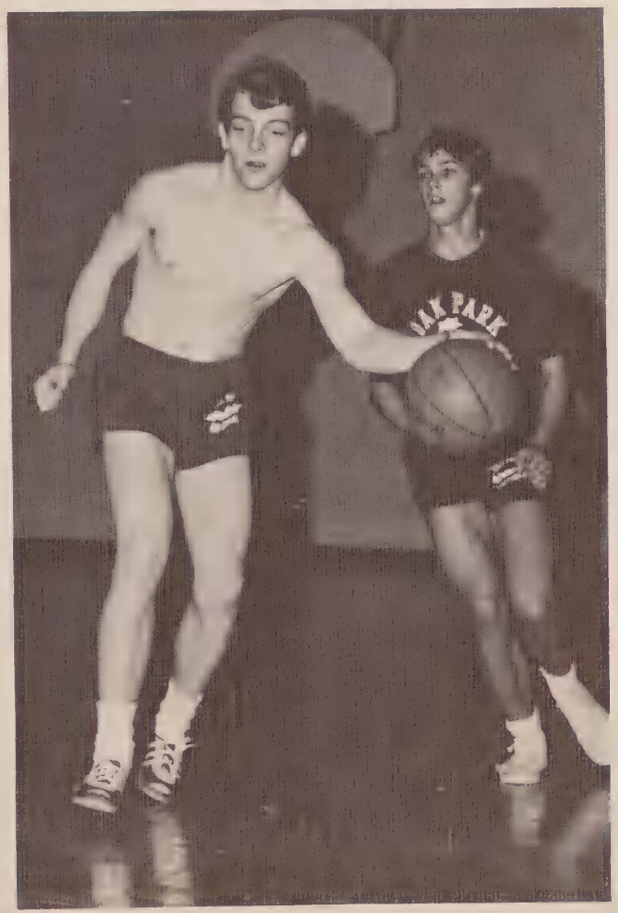
Clubs compete in basic sports

With the other changes initiated at Oak Park came a change in the intramural program. Besides the previous method of giving awards to boys for active participation, intramurals also presented a trophy to the club team accumulating the highest number of points. Awards to club teams gave new enthusiasm and spirit to the team effort of the intramural program. Greater interest and participation widened the scope of the intramural program to include eight basic sports. Richard Reed and his "Super Sam the Sports Man" greeted the student body with a cheery word and information of the upcoming intramural events. Coach Floyd Klang steered intramurals to its successful season.

Flag football began the intramural season with a total of ninety-seven participants. These football enthusiasts met tough competition at all levels. A well developed and organized running pattern paved the way to a first place award for the junior-senior team of Sam Sanders, Larry Kuhn, Vic Arnone, Brian Jones, Doug Airey, Larry Dramann, Steve Hanchette, Bill Evans, Rick Holding, Bob Rothberger, and Stan Woodcock, and the sophomore team of Brad Cochren, Dave Conley, Dan Craig, Chris Robertson, David Silvey, Steve Andrews, Greg Houston, Wayne Cook, Dave Dreis, Eugene Manning, Jay Cofer, Pat Reeder, and Harold Dinsmore.

Basketball proved to be the most popular sport on the boys' intramural program. One hundred and twenty-one boys competed on the hardwoods for the number one spot. The first place title went to the junior-senior team of Rick Baehr, Karl Pfankuch, Rick Bloomer, David Jones, Randy Miller, Sam Sanders, Larry Kuhn, Richard Henry, and Gene Meyer and the sophomore team of David Thomas, Jerry Wehling, Mark Voyce, Robert Vanderford, Erik Willis, John Berbert, Steve York, Dick Roschke, and Bob Horn.

Left, Sam Sanders takes advantage of a Rich Henry screen as he drives to the basket while, above, Karl Pfankuch and Rich Henry battle an opponent in an attempt to control the ball.

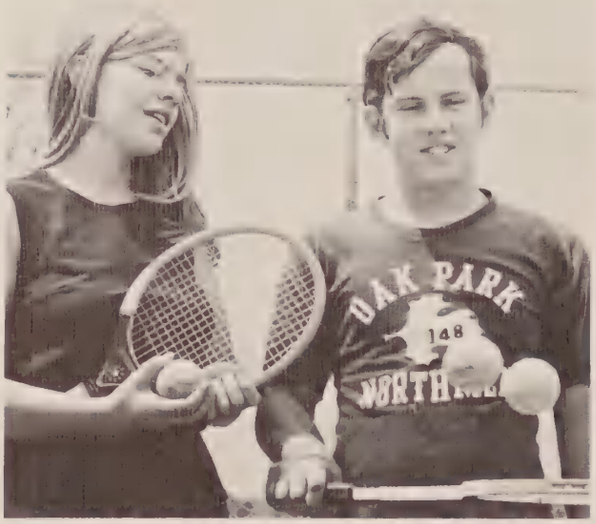


Dave Dreis casts an apprehensive glance while maneuvering into his opponents zone.

Co-eds compete in intramurals

Tennis and archery completed the roster of fall sports. Tennis went co-ed; encouraging girls to display their skills as netters. Both sports gave boys the opportunity to improve and demonstrate their individual abilities. With a total of 286 points Larry Childers was declared archery champ, followed by Jim Hash and Dave Graham.

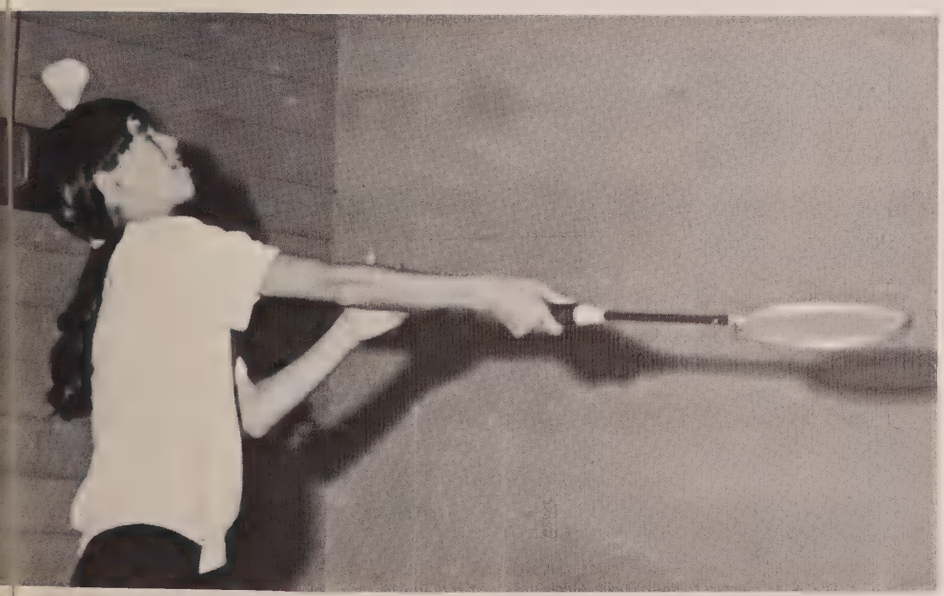
Intramurals continued full speed into spring with ping-pong, soccer and gymnastics. Rick Sharp led the ping pong tournament with a one-loss record. Although appearing to be very brutal to the spectator soccer drew capacity teams for every session. Gymnastics was expanded and improved by the presence of the members of the gymnastic team to help, instruct, and encourage. The last three sports typify the quality of program and competition offered through boys' intramurals.



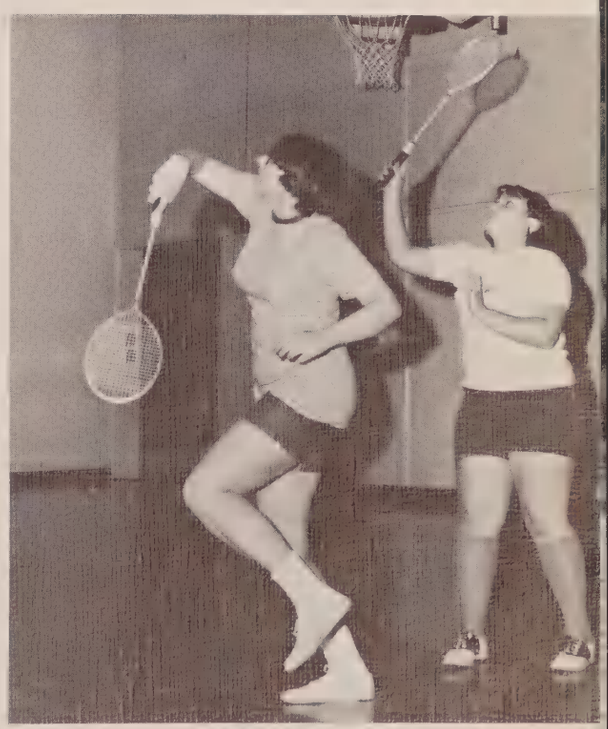
LaRu Klang and Sammy Laffoon rest after the match that named them champions of co-ed tennis.

Steve Delphia, above, dribbles to the goal while Robin Link, right, winces after a head volley.

Larry Childers and Jim Hash anchor and aim their bows in anticipation of a bulls-eye.



Phyllis Thackery, above, attempts to swat the "birdie" while Susan Malone and Kathy Cutting, right, await its arrival.



Backing brings team's success

Volleyball boasted the record high for intramural attendance. Sixty-two boys competed in boys' volleyball and two hundred sixty-four boys and girls participated in co-ed volleyball. Wednesday and Thursday afternoons saw the girls gym lit with gaudy outfits and matching team T-shirts as co-ed volleyball teams prepared for action. The team of Joyce Johnson, Susie Smith, Connie Zinn, Rick Bunce, Rick Holding, and Danny Raines won the coveted co-ed volleyball championship. First place in the boys division went to the team of Karl Kingsley, DeWayne Ellis, Karl Pfankuch, David Jones, Richard Henry, Rick Bloomer, and Larry Dramann.

A total of two hundred ninety-three different boys participated in at least one sport sponsored by boys intramurals. Sophomores led in number of participants with one hundred ten boys active, followed by one hundred seniors and eighty three juniors. Of these two hundred ninety-three boys, fifteen were honored for the high number of points they accumulated. Rick Sharp having obtained the greatest number of points received the honored high point award. The most spirited club award went to German Club. Tom Pilcher and Dru Dixon accepted the position of commissioners with plans to improve and expand the already complete program.

Teamwork of LaRu Klang and Brooks Kenagy helps the Cambia team to victory, below, the victors of boys' volleyball pose with the winning ball, Karl Kingsley, DeWayne Ellis, Karl Pfankuch, Dave Jones, Richard Henry, Rick Bloomer, and Larry Dramann.

Pride shines in the faces of the winning co-ed volleyball team of Danny Raines, Susie Smith, Rick Bunce, Connie Zinn, Rick Holding, and Joyce Johnson.

Above left, Miss May Phillips returns a serve, above right, Mr. Gene Jordon backs Mrs. Carole Johnson, while below, the *Log* team of Richard Reed, Kathy Williams, Candy Hargrove, and Rick Knoch flounder in an attempt to return a juggled ball.

Courage marks the mighty Oakie

Sports, an activity in which many Oakies participated, displayed the talent and skill contained by the athletic Northmen. The Oak Park football team retained its victorious reputation by taking a first in conference, as well as placing first in the city throughout most of the year.

The basketball team made a new name for itself as it triumphed over North Kansas City earning the consolation trophy. The hard work of the roundballers was also awarded with a second in Regionals. Wrestling obtained their best record in its history at Oak Park this year, sending three matmen to state.

Tennis, track, golf, and baseball constituted the spring sports. The athletes involved in these sports united to lead their particular teams to victory.

The pep club, boys' and girls', and the loyal Oakies who attended the various sports events applauded the tremendous effort put out by the individual teams, win or lose.

From the press box, the commentators view the traditional rivalry between Oak Park and North Kansas City.

Scores

Oak Park	20	Springfield Parkview	8
Oak Park	14	Jefferson City	0
Oak Park	20	Ruskin	27
Oak Park	42	Center	14
Oak Park	49	Truman	13
Oak Park	40	William Chrisman	7
Oak Park	42	St. Joseph Central	6
Oak Park	45	Raytown	15
Oak Park	12	North Kansas City	13
Oak Park	42	Raytown South	7

League All Games

	WLT	WLT	Pts.	Opp.
Oak Park	5 2 0	8 2 0	326	110
Ruskin	4 1 2	6 2 2	202	89
Northtown	4 3 0	4 6 0	83	153
Raytown	3 3 1	5 4 1	168	129
Truman	3 3 1	4 5 1	130	149
Center	3 4 0	4 6 0	161	185
Ray-South	2 5 0	4 6 0	98	179
Chrisman	2 5 0	2 8 0	134	246

Richard Henry, 63, and Rick Beahr, 10, gain city, state, and national recognition as outstanding athletes.

Gridders seek total success

Oak Park won its third conference trophy in as many years with an 8-2 record that extended the 5-year won-loss total to an impressive 38-10-3. The season also marked the fifth consecutive year in which Oak Park placed among the *Kansas City Star's* top ten teams.

Although only eight lettermen returned from last year's state championship runner-up squad, the team hardened into a winner. The success came via an offensive punch that recored 1504 yards through the air and scored a record 326 points. The accurate arm of quarterback Rick Baehr attributed to the aerial success as did his running ability. Baehr's 1265 yards passing yards and his 1709 of the teams 2214 yards rushing established new school records. The quarterback's highlight came at William Chrisman where he totaled 255 yards, another school record. And as a safety on defense the 160-pounder ranked fourth for the season with 104 defensive points.

Teamwork contributed to the Northmen's success. Flanker Mike Skaggs received a record 29 passes for 486 yards and accounted for 233 more in kick-off and punt returns. Of the running backs, Tom Legg carried 177 times for 985 yards, Rick Bloomer, 44 for 250, and Mike Skeith, 50 times for 276. Ends Mike McDaniel and Bill Murray grabbed a total of 43 aerials for an impressive 640 yards. Their down-field blocking also contributed much to the Northmen offense. The squad continued their tradition of Oak Park's "cram-it-down-their-throat" football.

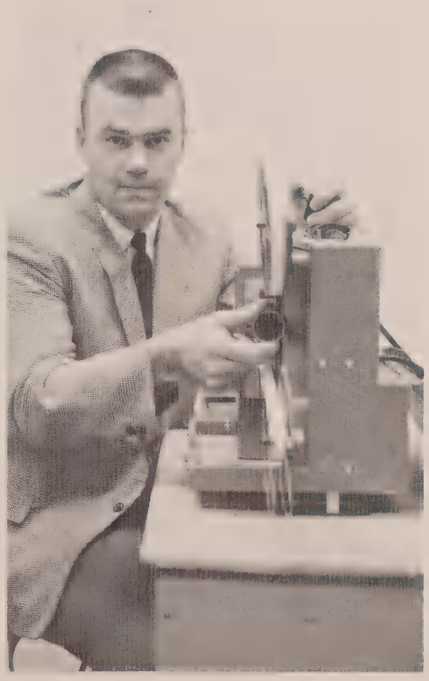
Coach Gladden Dye often declared that the games were won "up front." Richard Henry was the stalwart of the offensive line and also ranked first with defensive points. Other linemen doubling by starting both ways were Mike McDaniel, Steve Ramsey, Bob Minter, and Bill Murray.

In the kicking department, Frank Grotelushen's 34.6 punting average set a new record as did Jim Maddick's 33 points after touchdowns.

Showing that opponents' offenses also became more effective, the defense allowed 110 points which eclipsed the old record of 50 points allowed in 1967. Also, the Oakies gave up a record 969 yards passing.

Many individual honors also came the Oakies' way. The All-Metro and also earned spots on the state's top team. Tackle Richard Henry was also honored with a third-team All-American selection.

Tri-captains of Oak Park's football squad, Steve Ramsey, Rick Baehr, and Richard Henry display their conference trophy.



Coach Dye replays game for evaluation.

Oakies exhibit fierce competition

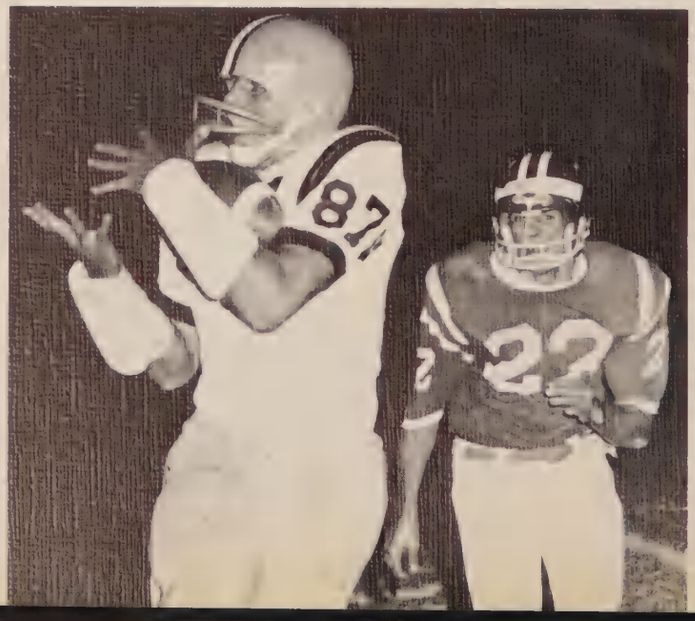
The Northmen opened the gridiron season September 13 with a 20-8 triumph over Springfield Parkview. The Northmen offense utilized a strong ground and aerial attack. Rick Baehr connected with flanker Mike Skaggs in the endzone for a 7-0 lead at halftime. In the fourth quarter, Oakie tailback Tom Legg blasted in from the nine yard line after a fumble recovery and 30 yard drive. Dave Jones added insurance when he intercepted a Parkview pass and ran 65 yards for a third Oak Park tally. Richard Henry, Dave Jones, Rick Baehr, and Steve Ramsey led a defensive effort that held Springfield scoreless until the final period.

The Jefferson City Jays became the next victim of the determined Northmen. The Big Blue emphasized defense as they limited the Jays to less than 100 yards of forward progress. Richard Henry, Steve Ramsey, and end Mike McDaniel led the defensive charge. In the second period fullback Mike Skeith plowed through the left side from the 21-yard line for Oak Park's first touchdown. Tom Legg, a junior, racked up the second touchdown by trotting 45 yards around the right end. Jim Maddick kicked the conversions after each touchdown. The final tally, 14-0, gained Oak Park the No. 2 berth in the *Kansas City Star's* ranking for area high schools.

The Suburban 8 opener against the Ruskin Eagles on September 26 was the Northmen's first major disappointment. The adversaries matched touchdowns until the final quarter when Oak Park pulled up short with a 27-21 loss. The primary thorn in the Oak Park defense was Ruskin's swift slotback, Rocky Bron. Bron scored three touchdowns the last on a 75-yard reception in the final minutes of the game. The Northmen offensive attack, sparked by quarterback Rick Baehr and fullback Mike Skeith, smashed through the Ruskin line for three Oak Park touchdowns. Steve Ramsey, Rick Baehr, and Mark Weissenback led the defensive effort.

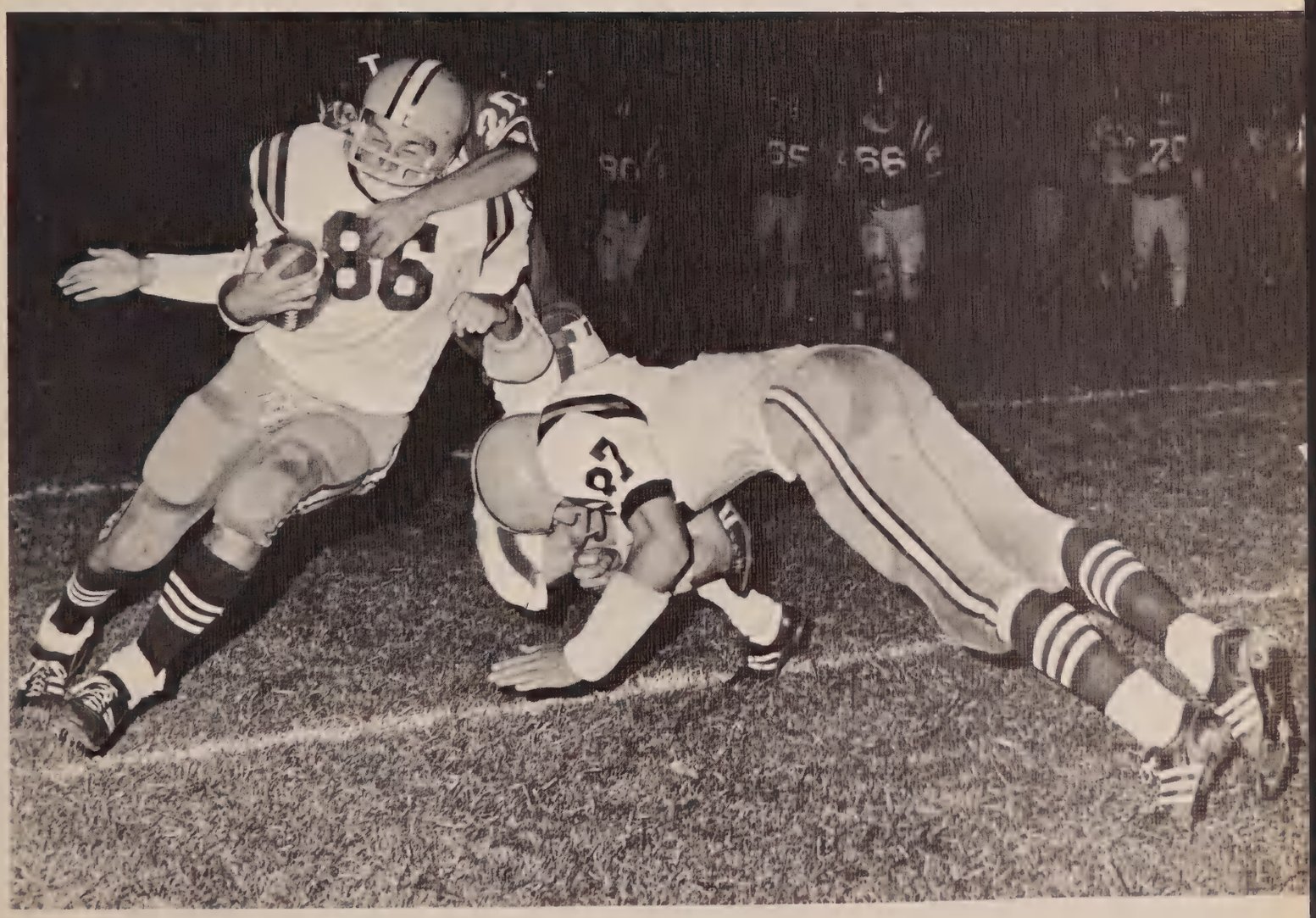
Oakie spirit regained momentum as the Northmen bombed Center 42-14 on October 3. Tom Legg ran 70 yards on the second play from scrimmage. He later scored three first half touchdowns. Fullback Mike Skeith also had a busy evening as he picked up a couple of touchdowns. The Northmen acquired 36 points before the Yellowjackets scored. Quarterback Gene Meyer added the sixth Oak Park touchdown in the final period. Jim Maddick kicked two conversions and two were collected with runs. The Northmen amassed a total of 256 yards on defense. Mike Reynolds and Bill Murray grabbed defensive honors.

Tom Legg, 23, is pulled down in a crushing tackle while Doug Link rushes to his aid.

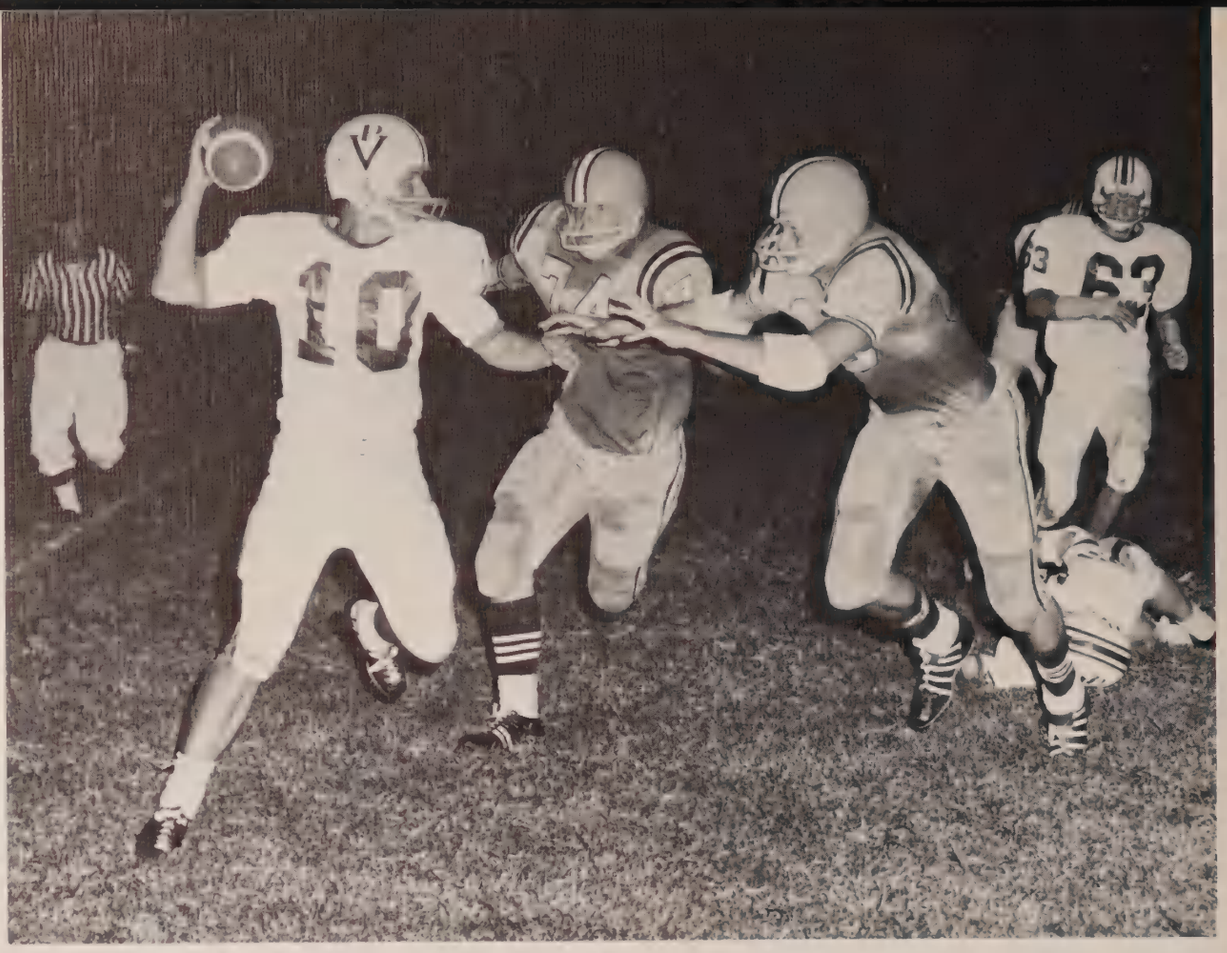


Bill Murray hauls in another pass as he eludes a Truman monster in gaining a first down.

Mike Skaggs, 20, lunges for possession of the ball, as the Springfield Parkview opponent prepares to tackle.



Bill Murray blocks a Truman tackler, while Mike McDaniels, 86, tries to escape.



Bob Minter, 74, and Mike McDaniel, 83, lunge at the Springfield Parkview quarterback.

70 Tom Mardikes
31 Steve Elliot
64 Cliff Thomas
81 Doug Griffith
87 Jim Nelson
50 David Byrd
73 Denny Fox
62 Dale McKinney
74 Bob Minter
83 Mike McDaniel
63 Richard Henry
12 Gene Meyer
72 Frank Grotelushen
84 Steve Delphia
43 Alan Parks

11 Jim Maddick
40 Randy Wolverton
53 Mark Wissenback
30 Mike Skeith
71 Doug Link
66 Mike Reynolds
86 Jim Schneider
11 Jim Iverson
33 Ed Doughtery
52 Steve Rhoder
13 Rick Webster
85 Gary Carne
80 Larry Settle
76 Sam Rigdon
65 Bill Beyer

82 Dave Jones
20 Mike Skaggs
77 Steve Ramsey
10 Rick Baehr
51 Randy Miller
61 Chris Carver
21 Karl Pfankuch
22 Rick Bloomer
32 Mike Blackmore
42 Tom Baker
23 Tom Legg
43 Don Dillaharry
60 Ace Martin
41 Randy Baehr

Karl Pfankuch jars the ball free from his opponent with aid approaching from 76, Sam Rigdon.

The Varsity

Athletes prove practice pays

Oak Park earned its fourth win from the Truman Patriots 49-13 on October 17. The Oakies scored all but one of its seven touchdowns on one yard runs. The exception occurred on a 60-yard run by Jim Schneider after a fumble recovery. The Northmen gained 470 yards much of which was due to the passing of quarterback, Rick Baehr. Dave Jones and Doug Link accumulated the most defensive points. With the victory, the Oakies attained No. 2 ranking in the city.

The Northmen felled the William Chrisman Bears October 24 for their fifth victory. Oak Park tallied six straight touchdowns and 504 yards total offense to smash the Bears 40-7. Quarterback Rick Baehr achieved the first Oak Park touchdown on a 54-yard run and Tom Legg ran 49 yards for the second six pointer. Legg and Skaggs lit up the scoreboard time and again with Ed Dougherty scoring the last touchdown when he blocked a Chrisman punt and recovered it in the end zone. Richard Henry, Dave Jones, Bob Minter, Bill Murray, and Mark Weissenback clapped on the defense. Following the victory, the Northmen received top ranking in the city.

On October 31 the Northmen traveled to St. Joseph and returned hours later with a 42-6 triumph. St. Joe Central flashed on the second play from scrimmage with a 50-yard touchdown pass. However the spark died early and Central surrendered to the Big Blue machine. The Northmen tallied 386 total yardage and six touchdowns with the accurate passing and running of Rick Baehr, Tom Legg, and Mike Skaggs. Other Notable performers were tailback Rick Bloomer, end Mike McDaniel, fullback Mike Skeith, Gene Meyer, and Jim Maddick who kicked six Oak Park Conversions.

Homecoming remained the apex of Oak Park's football season. The Northmen tromped the Raytown Bluejays 45-15 on November 7. It was the fifth straight gridiron battle in which the Northmen had scored 40 or more points. The Bluejays kicked a field goal to take an early lead. Oak Park then drove to the 35 where quarterback, Rick Baehr tossed a touchdown pass to Mike Skaggs. On the kickoff the Northmen recovered a Bluejay fumble which set the scene for a 30-yard touchdown play. A high-scoring game, the halftime score read Oak Park 31 - Raytown 9. In the third quarter Rick Bloomer nailed the victory down with the fifth Oak Park touchdown. Outstanding defenders were linebacker Dave Jones, end Ed Dougherty, and guards Bob Minter and Richard Henry.

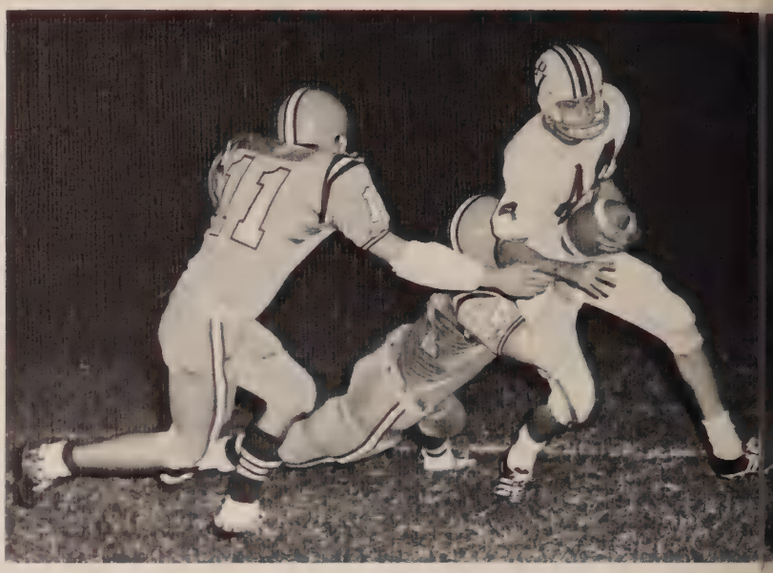
Defense halts opposing team

The Raytown victory established the Oakies as the solid choice for the area's number one team. However, state's point system to select teams for the state playoffs placed Oak Park fourth in their district. Even had the Northmen defeated Ruskin, and thus been undefeated, they would not have been selected to participate: the Northmen had not played enough teams with winning records.

Next, traditional rival North Kansas City pulled the big surprise. Heretofore, the Northmen had never experienced an upset in the big-rival grid series. The Hornets' campaign of "put something on the board" brought a 13-12 victory their way. The crowd, sitting in the bitter cold, saw punt returners allow the ball to bounce, pass returners drop the aerials, and running backs fumbling the pigskin in all directions.

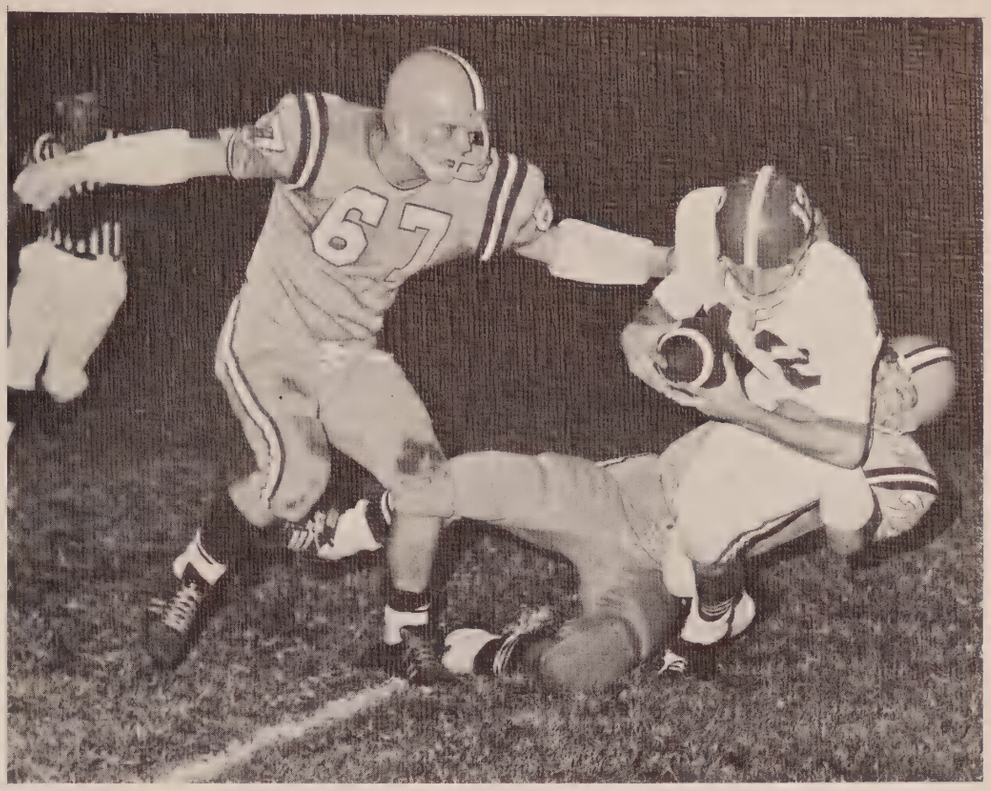
Northtown's scores came on an 84-yard bomb and a 13-yard flip following an Oakie fumble. Oak Park's tallies came on Mike Skeith's one-yard plunge following a 68-yard drive and a 47-yard romp up the middle by Rick Baehr. The second score came with less than a game-winning two-point conversion. The screen-pass, however, fell incomplete.

On November 17, the Northmen completed their season with a 42-7 victory over Raytown South. The win awarded the Northmen a share of the dual championship of the Suburban Eight conference along with the Ruskin Eagles. Oak Park's fullback Rick Bloomer racked up three Oak Park touchdowns, while the remaining points came from a toss to Mike Skaggs and a pass to Mike McDaniel by Rick Baehr. Mike Blackmore scored the sixth touchdown on a one-yard thrust through the Ray South line. Richard Henry, with the season high with 29 defensive points, led the vigorous defensive play. He was followed by David Jones, Steve Ramsey, and Robin Link who tallied 27, 25, and 22, respectively.



Jim Iverson, 11, comes to assist Steve Delphia, 84, in stopping the Springfield Parkview advance.

Jim Schneider, 86, breaks up a pass attempt as he guards a William Christman receiver.



Jim Nelson, 67, and Tom Mardikes, 70, pool their efforts to bring down the Raytown ball carrier.

Number 10, Rick Baehr, dives for the tackle, as number 63, Richard Henry maneuvers to stop the Ruskin ball carrier.

Above, M.U. coach Dan Devine, speaks at the football banquet, while below he invites Mike McDaniel, and Richard Henry for a campus visit to the university.

Celebrating the end of a successful season, Debi Mattox, Rick Baehr, and Rick Webster select from the array of food during the annual football banquet.

Celebrity livens football banquet

The Junior Varsity squad, which seldom practiced together as a unit, went undefeated during the 1969 season. Led by the coaching of Mr. Steve Garrett, the team allowed only three touchdowns. The doctrine of tough defense supplied the best Junior Varsity record to date.

Oak Park	26	Northtown	0
Oak Park	27	Ruskin	0
Oak Park	15	Center	0
Oak Park	16	William Chrisman	0
Oak Park	22	Raytown	12
Oak Park	6	Shawnee Mission South	6

Under the direction of Coaches Jerry Crews and Don Wyrick, the sophomore football teams compiled excellent season records. The sophomore A team's overall record was six wins, two losses. The B team's record was 3 wins, 3 losses.

Oak Park	22	Lee's Summit	8
Oak Park	28	North Kansas City	7
Oak Park	22	Ruskin	26
Oak Park	14	Center	0
Oak Park	22	Raytown South	14
Oak Park	36	Truman	0
Oak Park	26	Shawnee Mission West	0
Oak Park	14	Raytown	30

The junior varsity football players are, top left; Kenny Fox, Don Dillahunty, Jim Iverson, Cliff Thomas, Ed Dougherty, Tom Mardikes, Joe McAllister, Robin Willsie, David Bush, Randy Wolverton, Gary Carne, Bill Beyer, Frank Groteluschen, Rick Webster, Dale McKinney, Larry Settle, Alan Parks, Tom Baker, Jim Nelson, and Mike Blackmore.

The sophomore A football team members are, front row: Doug Griffith, Randy Baehr, Scott Black, Randy Moore, Mark Sewell, John Finch, Dan Krenkel, Steve Manning, and Don Treichel; back row: Jerry Disharoon, David Behrens, Kenny Kraft, Ace Martin, Mark Pettibone, Don Chapler, Steve Rhodes, and John Crossno.

The sophomore B football team members are, front row: Wayne McNabb, Tom Bechtel, Mike Gunselman, John Fanska, Tom Hering, Derk Ralls, Ray Schneegass, Craig Maynard, and Jerry Wehling; middle row: Jim Thomas, Danny Rapp, Mark Cramer, Mike Glauser, Jerry McKinney, Roger Burger, Ron Willsie, Dennis Fry, Kurt Laursen, Mike Reeder, and Mike Kinate; back row: Bill Spiker, Mike Moss, Paul Seider, Stan Kumer, Chris Vaughn, Brent Reinschmidt, Don Cooper, Jim Pfankuch, Gailen Henry, Ron Cooper, Mike Wiederstein, and Ken Suvanto.

Scenes change on open course

Randy Armstrong and Gary Penland stride toward the finish.

Although the cross country season proved one of continued adversity, the Oakies struggled determinedly against the tough Suburban Eight competition. Their stubborn efforts led to a fifth place finish out of the fourteen schools participating in the District Meet.

With only one senior letterman, Kevin Estes, sophomores and juniors dominated the cross country squad. Randy Armstrong, Ken Geest, Gary Penland, Mark Cunningham, and Roland Randolph formed a nucleus of underclass lettermen. The fastest times of the individual Northmen runners were as follows:

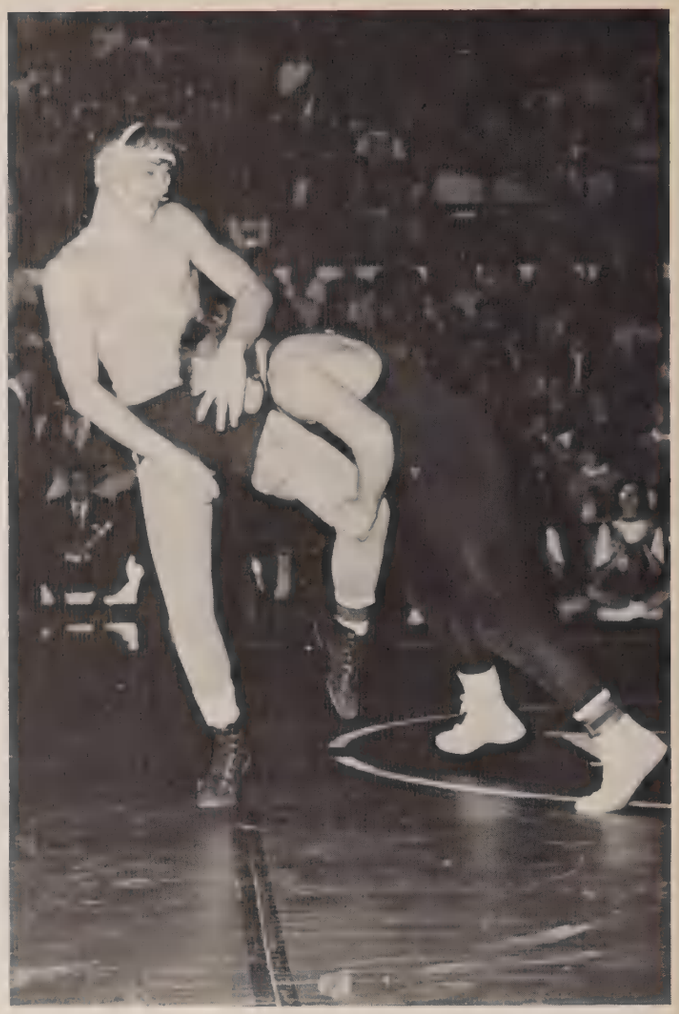
Randy Armstrong	10:42
Ken Geest	10:50
Gary Penland	10:55
Kevin Estes	11:11
Roland Randolph	11:23
Mark Cunningham	11:30

Coach Tom Swan offers word of advice to the harriers. Kneeling are Gary Penland, Ken Geest, and Roland Randolph. Standing from left to right are Rick Meier, Barry Schneider, Mark Voice, Randy Armstrong, Kevin Estes, Mark Cunningham, Frank Passantino, Paul Casey, Kent Carlson, Don Yuzel, and Leroy Brown.

The pleasant surroundings of the home course provides a change of pace for the harriers.

Randy Armstrong closes the gap between himself and two opponents in the district meet.

Kenny Geest, 902, and Randy Armstrong, 901, struggle for position at the start of a district meet.



Doug Link fights for balance while his opponent drives.

Dual Meet Scores

Oak Park	30	Maryville	12
Oak Park	29	Ruskin	15
Oak Park	29	Center	16
Oak Park	27	Raytown South	18
Oak Park	13	St. Louis Northwest	30
Oak Park	15	St. Louis Riverview Gardens	27
Oak Park	34	William Chrisman	11
Oak Park	24	North Kansas City	18
Oak Park	29	Truman	16
Oak Park	30	Excelsior Springs	14
Oak Park	37	Raytown	9
Oak Park	28	Lee's Summit	16

Varsity wrestlers are Doug Dye, Danny Rapp, Dennis Fry, Doug Davis, Rick Webster, Mike Blackmore, Gary Carne, Bill Beyer, Phil McGee, Steve Delphia, Doug Link, Mark Wiessenbach, Steve Ramsey, and Coach Jim Taylor.

Grapplers work to achieve fame

Oak Park's wrestling squad finished the 1970 season with a 10 win, 2 loss record for dual meets. The only losses were handed out by St. Louis Northwest and St. Louis Riverview Gardens. The 10-2 finish was the best dual record ever compiled by the Northmen. The Oakies also obtained excellent tournament results including first places at the District and Regional meets.

The grapplers received a generous scattering of awards throughout the season. Phil McGee set a new school record with 14 pins and led the squad with 101 points. Doug Link, the second highest man, captured second place at the State Tournament.

At the North Kansas City Tournament held January 9 and 10, the Northmen took second place with 115 team points. Steve Delphia fought to first place in the 165 lb. weight division while Phil McGee and Steve Ramsey acquired seconds in their respective classes.

The squad efforts received a second place at the Suburban Eight Conference Tournament. The Northmen collected 88 points with eight Oak Park wrestlers placing. Rick Webster, Mike Blackmore, Gary Carne, Phil McGee, and Steve Ramsey received championship medals in their individual weight brackets.

Various individual awards were presented at the Wrestling Banquet on March 10. Mike Blackmore was designated the Most Sportsman-like Wrestler and received the Hustler Award. Senior, Phil McGee received recognition as the Most Outstanding Wrestler and Steve Delphia became Mr. Wrestler of 1970. The Tri-Captains of the squad were Bill Beyer, Steve Ramsey and Mike Blackmore. The wrestling coach at Northwest Missouri State College, Mr. Gary Collins, was the guest speaker. He discussed the individual qualities necessary in competitive wrestling and expressed his admiration for the sport.

VARSITY WRESTLERS

Name	Wt. Class	Record	Year
Doug Dye	98	10- 8- 3	Soph.
Dan Rapp	107	4-13- 0	Soph.
Dennis Fry	115	0- 8- 0	Soph.
Doug Davis	123	4- 5- 0	Soph.
Rick Webster	130	15- 8- 1	Jr.
Mike Blackmore	137	18- 4- 2	Sr.
Gary Carne	145	12- 5- 1	Jr.
Bill Beyer	145	14- 3- 0	Sr.
Phil McGee	155	22- 5- 2	Sr.
Steve Delphia	165	22- 4- 1	Sr.
Doug Link	175	25- 6- 1	Jr.
Mark Wiessenbach	185	12- 4- 0	Sr.
Steve Ramsey	Hvy.	20- 7- 0	Sr.

Fellow teammates congratulate Steve Delphia as he returns from a successful encounter on the home mats.

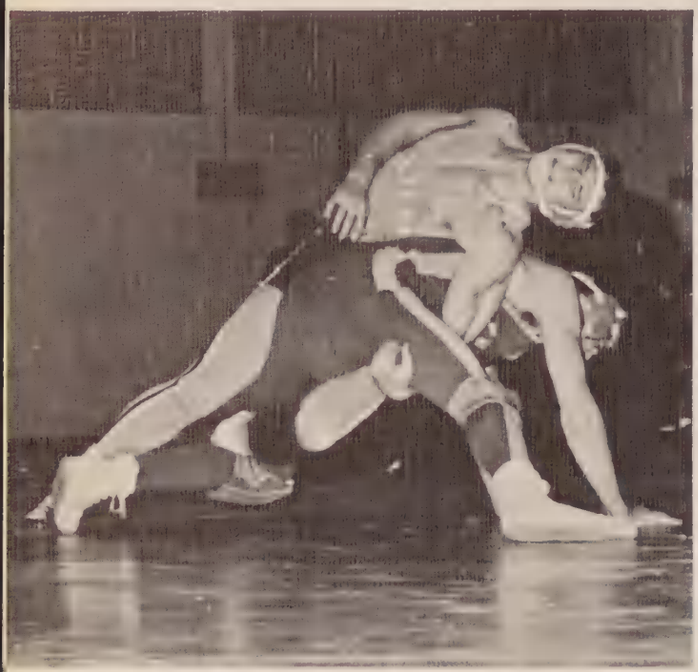
A sit out escape affords Gary Carne an opportunity to evade his rival, below Coach Taylor encourages from the sidelines.

Honors herald matmen's efforts

The District Tournament proved more rewarding as the Northmen won their fourth District title in five years. Individual honors went to Mike Blackmore, Steve Delphia, Doug Link and Steve Ramsey for taking four first place medals and to Bill Beyer and Phil McGee for second place medals.

The Regional Tournament was a major Oak Park triumph. The team captured first place as Steve Delphia overcame stiff opposition to become the Regional champion in the 165 lb. weight class. Phil McGee and Doug Link struggled to second place in their weight divisions, enabling them to continue on to the State Tournament, Bill Beyer and Steve Ramsey collected third place honors.

St. Louis schools dominated the State Tournament and collected most of the trophies. However, junior Doug Link captured second place in the 175 lb. weight class, adding the final note to a successful wrestling season.



Steve Delphia grimaces while attempting to gain control of his opponent.

Phil McGee, Doug Link, and Steve Delphia exhibit the year's trophies earned by the wrestling squad.

The Pep Club cheers for Doug Dye as he struggles for the advantage over an Excelsior Springs opponent.

Steve Delphia battles for a pin against his Center opponent.

Doug Link stands with a Lee's Summit cheerleader after receiving second place in the state wrestling finals.

Special wrestling skills give Bill Beyer an advantage in the Regional tournament, while below Phil McGee executes a complicated reversal at a home meet.

Sportsmen grow in character

Under the direction of the new coach, Mr. Mel Wieland, the Junior Varsity squad maintained an excellent dual meet record as they collected eight team victories and two losses. Several grapplers advanced to Senior Varsity competition as the season progressed. Among these wrestlers were sophomores, Dennis Fry and Doug Davis, and junior Mark Weissenbach.

JUNIOR VARSITY RECORD

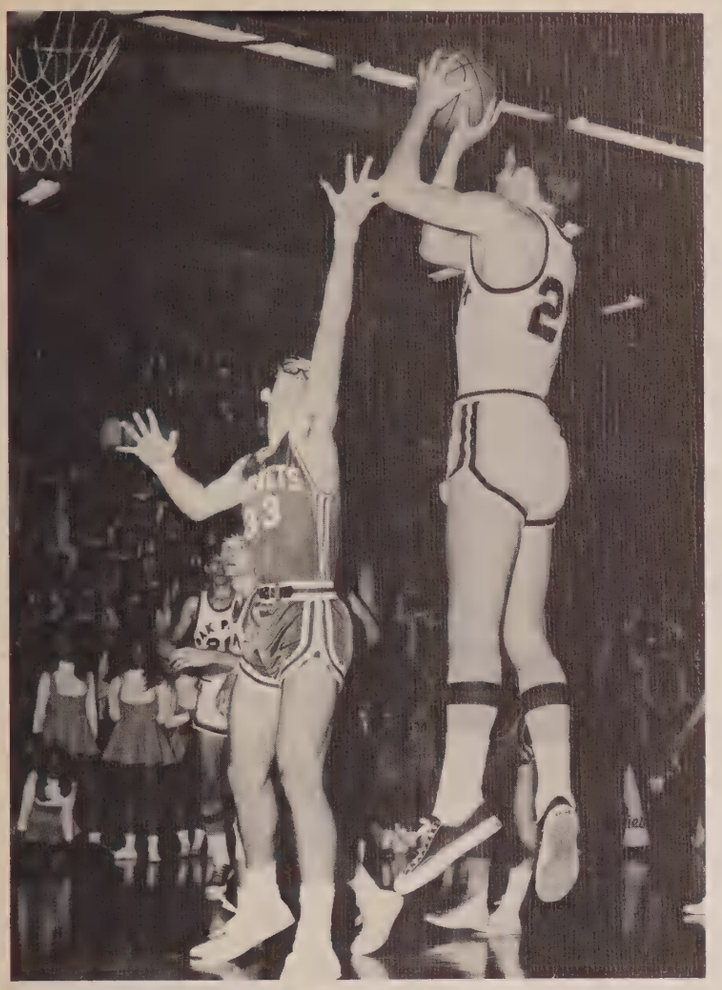
Oak Park	32	14	Raytown South
Oak Park	15	29	Ruskin
Oak Park	35	11	Maryville
Oak Park	41	10	Center
Oak Park	35	13	William Chrisman
Oak Park	20	27	North Kansas City
Oak Park	32	13	Truman
Oak Park	40	10	Excelsior Springs
Oak Park	44	8	Raytown
Oak Park	49	3	Lee's Summit

Steve Ramsey stays on top of his struggling opponent.

Junior varsity and sophomores wrestler are, front row: Steve Schnare, Mark Babb, Jerry McKinney, Mike Nye, Randy Baehr, Ace Martin, Chris Vaughn, Stan Kumer; back row: Mike Rodman, George Townsend, Larry Walker, Dave Banks, Garnold Stillman, Randy Moore, Cliff Thomas, John Finch, Brad Williams, and Brent Reinschmidt.

The agony of defeat pictured in Mr. Dave Lindsey and Mr. Jim Draper is overcome by the ecstasy of the team after the victory which advanced them to the Regional finals.

Tense expectancy is etched on the faces of Coaches Dave Lindsey and Jim Draper, and team members Mike McDaniels, Greg Geiger, Mark Quigley, Bob Smith, and Mike Riley.



Greg Ruder goes for a jump shot while a Hornet attempts to block.

Shooting for a basket, Mark Quigley evades outstretched arms.

Emotions rampage on basketball court

By defeating Grandview 66-42 on the loser's home court, the Oak Park Northmen opened their most successful basketball season in true fashion. This non-conference game marked the beginning of a 5-9 conference record and a second place finish in the class L regional at Oak Park.

The Oakies moved away from home and found continued good luck at Shawnee-Mission Northwest. Under the spark of high point man Mark Quigley, the Northmen led 65-35 when the final buzzer sounded. Joe Andrews and Greg Ruder supplied the safety margin with 14 and 13 points respectively.

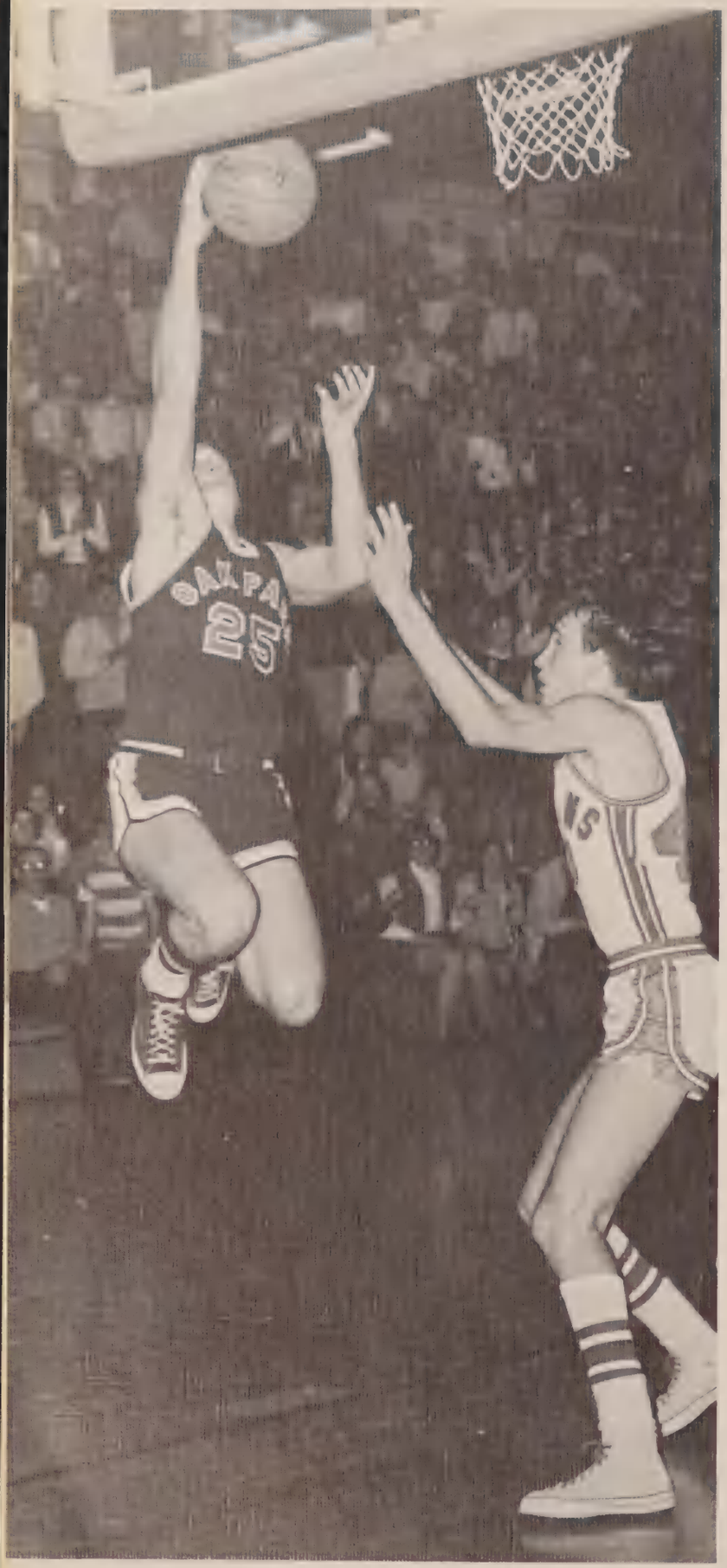
Oak Park found itself in third place by winning the consolation match in the annual North Kansas City basketball tournament. After suffering a defeat to Truman 68-54, the Northmen went on to earn the third place trophy by defeating the North Kansas City Hornets in an exciting double-overtime squeaker. Oak Park had three men in double figures, with Mark Quigley leading the attack with 21, Jim Schneider, with 15, and Greg Ruder with 10.

Suburban Eight Conference Standings

Raytown South	14- 0	20- 1	1351-1135
Raytown	9- 5	12- 7	1133-1018
North Kansas City	9- 5	13- 8	1346-1194
William Chrisman	8- 6	15- 9	1472-1320
Ruskin	6- 8	13-10	1444-1335
Oak Park	5- 9	8-10	1002-1022
Truman	4-10	8-13	1215-1347
Center	1-13	5-16	1207-1358

Scores

Oak Park	66	42	Grandview
Oak Park	64	35	Shawnee Mission Northwest
Oak Park	54	68	Truman
Oak Park	68	60	North Kansas City
Oak Park	42	45	Ruskin
Oak Park	71	72	Raytown
Oak Park	61	43	North Kansas City
Oak Park	43	46	Truman
Oak Park	44	86	Raytown South
Oak Park	60	63	Center
Oak Park	45	52	William Chrisman
Oak Park	62	57	Ruskin
Oak Park	60	56	Truman
Oak Park	59	67	Raytown
Oak Park	43	64	North Kansas City
Oak Park	46	52	Raytown South
Oak Park	63	61	Center
Oak Park	48	66	William Chrisman
Oak Park	59	57	St. Joseph Lafayette
Oak Park	65	51	St. Joe Benton
Oak Park	46	64	St. Joe Central



Mike McDaniels springs for an easy bucket.

Practice shapes team records

Oak Park met with heartbreak on their home courts as they lost the suburban eight conference opener to Ruskin. The Northmen led throughout most of the game, only to fall in the final period under a heavy Ruskin attack. Mark Quigley was high point man with 15.

The Oakies were defeated by Raytown 72-71 in a hard fought ballgame on Raytown's home courts. In this high scoring game, Oak Park fought from an 11 point deficit in the fourth period to a 1 point lead with 12 seconds remaining. A basket in the final 3 seconds made the difference, as the Northmen fell. Jim Schneider led Oak Park with 16 points. Three other players in that column were Joe Andrews with 12, Greg Ruder with 13, and Mike McDaniel with 13.

The Northmen took charge early in a Suburban Eight conference game with Northtown on their way to a 61-43 victory over the Hornets. Greg Ruder provided the big punch with 26 points. Mark Quigley backed him with 17.

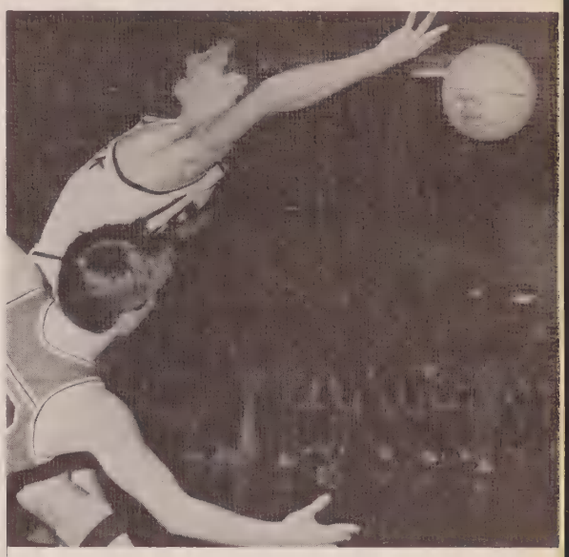
The Oakie roundballers met with defeat at the hands of the Truman Patriots on their home court. With the Patriots leading in the final period, Oak Park staged a comeback that fell short when a Truman guard sank a lay-up that broke the tie. The final score favored the Patriots 46-43.

The Northmen fell victims to the attack of Raytown-South as the Cardinals rolled to their fifth straight conference victory. Greg Ruder dumped in 19 points, the only Northman to score in double figures. The backup efforts of Joe Andrews, Mark Quigley, Jim Schneider, and Bob Smith failed to slow Raytown South with the final score 86-44.

The Center Yellowjackets found Oak Park hard to handle, as the Oakies slipped past 63-60. The Northmen jumped to an early lead as they outshot Center 16-8 in the first period. The Yellowjacket defense held Oak Park, however, and gained steadily in the game. Jim Schneider proved the Northmen's offense was up to it, as he pumped in 23 points. Greg Ruder helped the cause with 12 points.

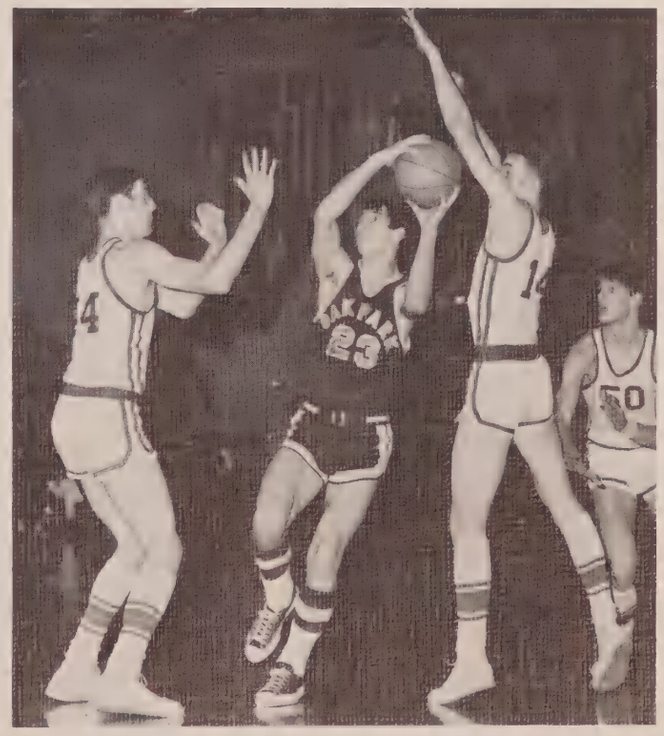
The Northmen high-hoopers traveled to William Chrisman and lost a close one at the hands of the Bears. Oak Park's offense controlled the first three quarters of the game, taking a one point lead into the final period. The Bear's defense came to their rescue and held the Northmen to 9 points while scoring 18 themselves. Jim Schneider was the only Northman scoring in double figures as the Oakies lost 52-45.

Joe Andrews evades his opponent with skillful dribbling.



John Orlich stretches in vain for a rebound.

Greg Ruder, 22, backs up Jim Schneider as he leaps for a rebound.



Heavy guarding does not halt a two-point effort by Steve Elliot.

Teamwork molds a winning season

Oak Park met Ruskin on the Eagle's home court and walked away victoriously as the Northmen won 62-57. Joe Andrews, Mark Quigley, Greg Ruder, Jim Schneider, Mike McDaniel, Greg Geiger and Steve Elliot united efforts to form this Suburban Eight conference victory.

Oak Park High School's cagers never trailed in a game with Truman as they downed the Patriots 60-56 on the loser's home court. The Northmen outscored Truman all through the first half, and survived a rally by the Eagles in the third quarter. Greg Ruder led the attack with 23 points.

The Oakies found tough luck on their home court as they were defeated by Raytown. The Bluejays capitalized on excellent free-throw shooting as they sank 17 of 20 from the charity stripe.

Trailing in the fourth quarter, the Oakies came up with a big rally that fell just eight points short as the Northmen bowed to Raytown 67-59.

The Northmen roundballers met with defeat at Northtown, as they fell 64-43 under the Hornets' attack. The Suburban Eight play saw Northtown control all four quarters, as the Oakies could not muster an attack. Greg Ruder led Oak Park scoring with 12 points, while Joe Andrews and Mark Quigley each had 10.

Oak Park's basketballers lost to unbeaten Raytown South in a solid ballgame played at Oak Park. The Cardinals began building a lead throughout the first half and used a very effective stall to stifle a fourth quarter Northmen rally. Greg Ruder, Mark Quigley, and Jim Schneider shared high score honors with 12 apiece. The final buzzer showed Raytown South leading 52-46.

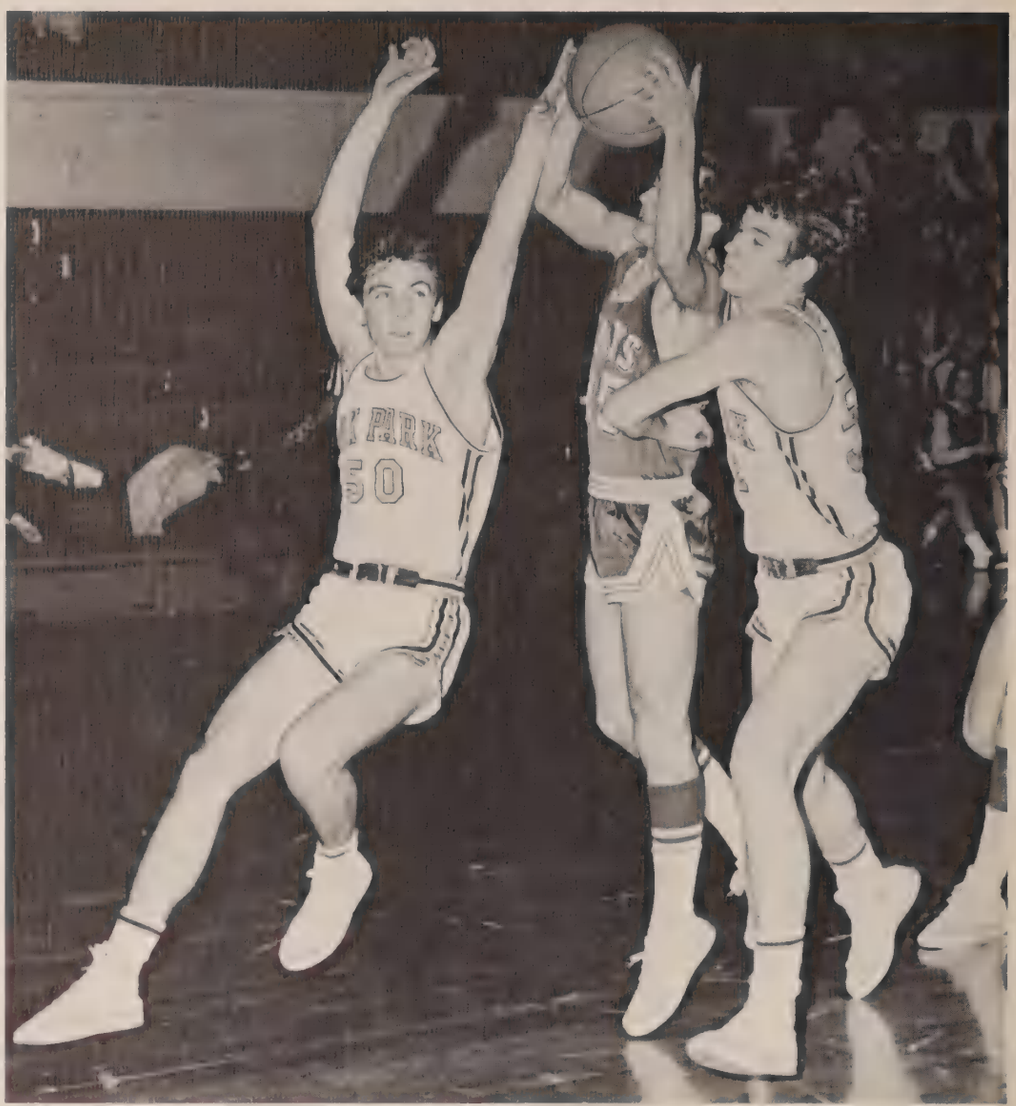
The Northmen played outstanding come-from-behind ball in defeating Center 63-61. The Oakies were trailing 14-2 at one point in the first quarter. After gradually diminishing the lead, the fourth quarter found the Northmen and Yellowjackets tied. The final period showed the difference as Oak Park outscored Center. Mark Quigley provided punch with 22 points.

The final regular season Suburban Eight conference game found Oak Park meeting defeat at William Chrisman. Chrisman outscored the Oakies in all but the last quarter, as the final score stood at 66-49. Jim Schneider, with 12 points, was high scorer from Oak Park.

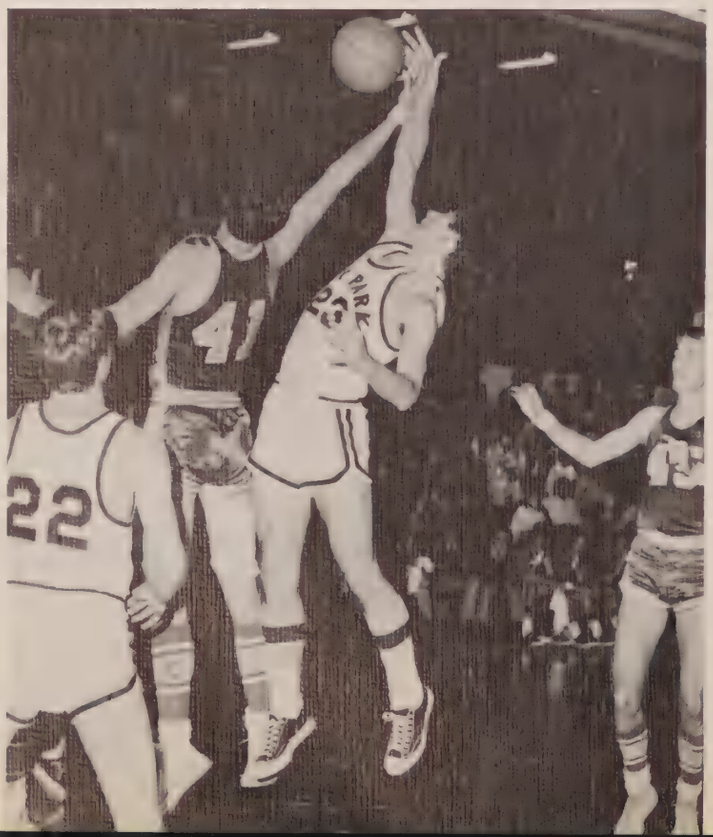
Mr. Norm Stewart, M.U. coach, coach Tom Swan, and toastmaster, Robert Shearer, converse after the basketball banquet.

As the basketball bobbles in a sea of arms, Jim Schneider, 20, and Mark Quigley, 21, battle two Northtown opponents for position.

Varsity basketballers are Larry Settle, Howard Dawson, Dave Moody, Steve Elliot, Bob Smith, Jim Schneider, Greg Ruder, Mike McDaniel, John Orlich, Greg Geiger, Mark Quigley, and Joe Andrews.



Above Jim Iverson and Howard Dawson combine efforts to stop an opponent's shot. At right, Mr. Pfaff and a St. Joe player await the ref's motion for the ball, while Mike McDaniel ponders his situation from the floor. Below, Steve Elliot outsprings his opponent for possession.



Ardent players mount victories

Exciting play by Oak Park led to a strong second place finish in the class L Regional at Oak Park. Running the gauntlet of St. Joseph teams, Oak Park started its conquest with a 59-57 victory over St. Joseph Lafayette. With the score tied and only four seconds remaining, Steve Elliot sank a jump shot that put Oak Park ahead as the clock ran out. After a day of rest, the Northmen clashed with St. Joseph Benton. Outstanding teamwork and 23 points by Greg Ruder sparked the 65-51 victory over the Cardinals. Proceeding to the finals with St. Joseph Central, Oak Park suffered its first defeat of the tournament. Close play marked the first period as the score stood 11-11. The Indian's offense took command, and the Oakies never caught up. The final score 64-46 gave Central the first place trophy, while Oak Park received the second.

The junior varsity and sophomore basketballers earned valuable experience on their way to 4-11 and 12-3 successful seasons.

Junior varsity roundballers are, front row: Mike Netherton, Gary Couser, Britt Clements, Ken Holferty, Jim Iverson, Gary Talbot; back row: Rob Keesee, Mike Conway, Mark Clemence, Steve Rhodes, Mike Riley, and Russ Harris.

Junior Varsity

50	Oak Park	21		Grandview
34	Oak Park	35		Ruskin
49	Oak Park	54		Raytown
38	Oak Park	23		North Kansas City
49	Oak Park	40		Truman
48	Oak Park	61		Raytown South
48	Oak Park	61		Center
34	Oak Park	37		William Chrisman
37	Oak Park	40		Ruskin
32	Oak Park	68		Truman
42	Oak Park	52		Raytown
44	Oak Park	56		North Kansas City
40	Oak Park	55		Raytown South
38	Oak Park	44		Center
53	Oak Park	39		William Chrisman

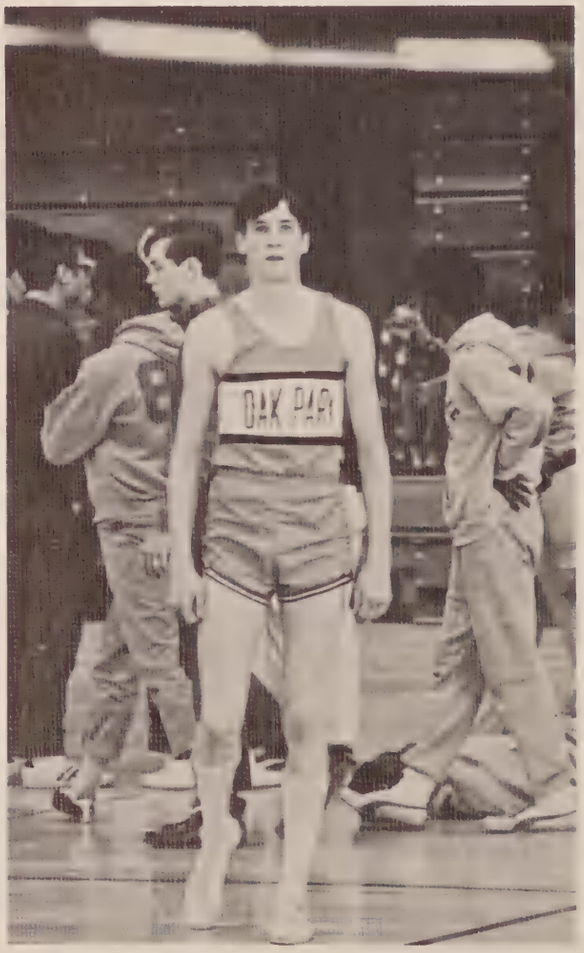
The sophomore basketball team consists of, front row: Rick Beck, Kent Duncan, Brad Cochran, Dave Conley, Bob Menzi, Dave Hein, Paul Casey; back row: Steve McDaniel, John Brown, Eugene Manning, Kenneth Kraft, Stan Fields, Brian Schmidt, Mark Sewel, and Don Cooper.

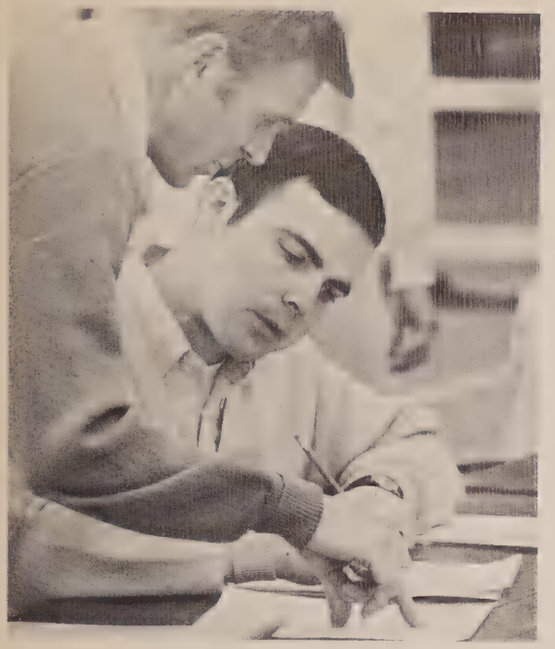
Sophomore

67	Oak Park	30		William Chrisman
65	Oak Park	40		Truman
62	Oak Park	58		Raytown
41	Oak Park	46		Raytown South
54	Oak Park	52		Truman
57	Oak Park	36		Excelsior Springs
57	Oak Park	55		Ruskin
62	Oak Park	32		William Chrisman
62	Oak Park	63		Raytown
59	Oak Park	44		Ruskin
65	Oak Park	45		Center
65	Oak Park	26		Excelsior Springs
58	Oak Park	50		Park Hill
51	Oak Park	55		Raytown South
42	Oak Park	39		Park Hill

Tom Legg eyes the string as he kicks for the finish line, while below, Jim Tankersley concentrates on the crossbar, preparing himself for the high jump.

Left, Randy Armstrong and right, Bill Robinson exhibit winning style as they break through the finish wire. Below, Mike Skeith takes the baton from Dave Lytle while qualifying for the state indoor meet.





Left, Jerry Crews and Don Wyrick examine individual times. *Below,* Steve Westfall signals lap count to Oak Park runners.

Trackmen heed running clocks

Indoor track began early in January and continued through the State Indoor meet late in March. The indoor program was mainly a conditioning process and readied them for the outdoor season. The Oak Park tracksters journeyed each Saturday to Wentworth Military Academy for their meets. Participating in four triangular meets, the Oakies were victorious twice and finished second in the other two. The 880 Relay team consisting of Mike Skeith, Mike Skaggs, Dave Lytle and Bill Robinson, and the mile relay foursome of Robin Willsie, Ed Dougherty, Jim Iverson, and Dave Lytle both qualified for State Indoor Meet as did Randy Armstrong in the 880 yard run.

Triangular Scores

1st Oak Park 60, Raytown 47, William Chrisman 19
1st Oak Park 57, Southeast 37, Fort Osage 32
2nd Ray South 67, Oak Park 36, De LaSalle 23
2nd Truman 55, Oak Park 37, Center 33

Ron Willis vaults for a record.

Don Crowder eyes the end of the pit in the long jump.

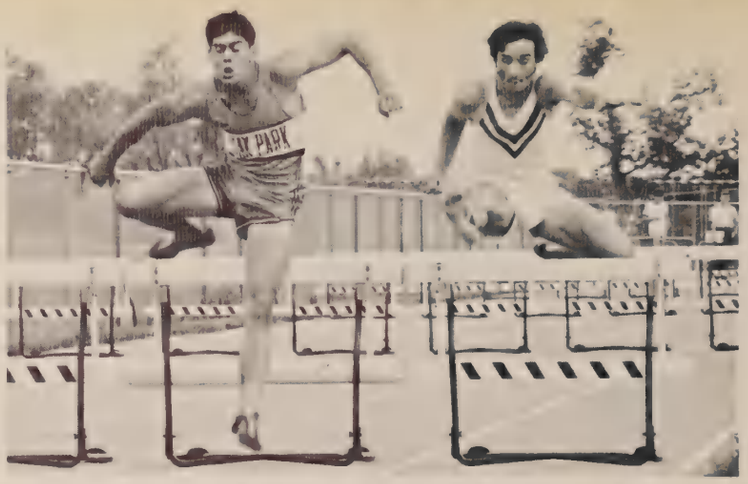
Larry Yach exhibits his winning form in the triple jump.

Northmen jump to new heights

Field events marked the strength of the Oak Park track team as several new records were set. Larry Yach dominated the high jump with a record of 6' 5½" as well as a record of 43' 7½" in the triple jump. Don Crowder applied his skill to the long jump and brought home a record of 21' 6½", while Bob Rothberger's discus arm brought down a record of 164' 11".

Finding the grasstex track to his liking, Bill Robinson broke school records in the high and low hurdles with times of 14.7 and 19.3 respectively. The record in the two mile relay fell to the team of Steve Kearnes, Gary Penland, Jim Iverson, and Randy Armstrong with a time of 8:10.7.

Larry Yach displays his high jump style at the Center Invitational Track Meet.



Mike Skaggs stretches to beat his North Kansas City opponent.

Bill Robinson strains to out-hurdle his Truman competitor while below, Randy Miller heaves the shot.

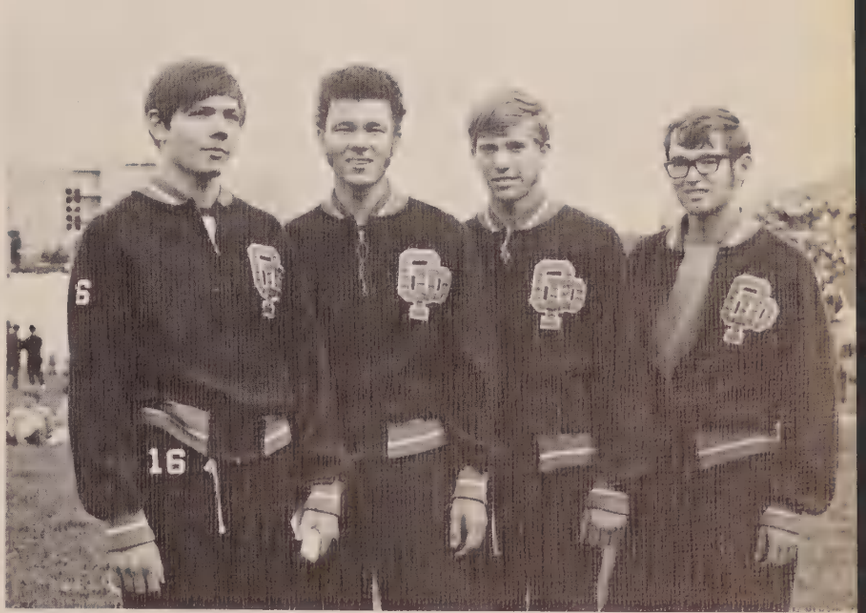
Bob Rothberger prepares for a record breaking throw.

The string goes taut as Dave Lytle crosses to victory.

Tracksters post record marks

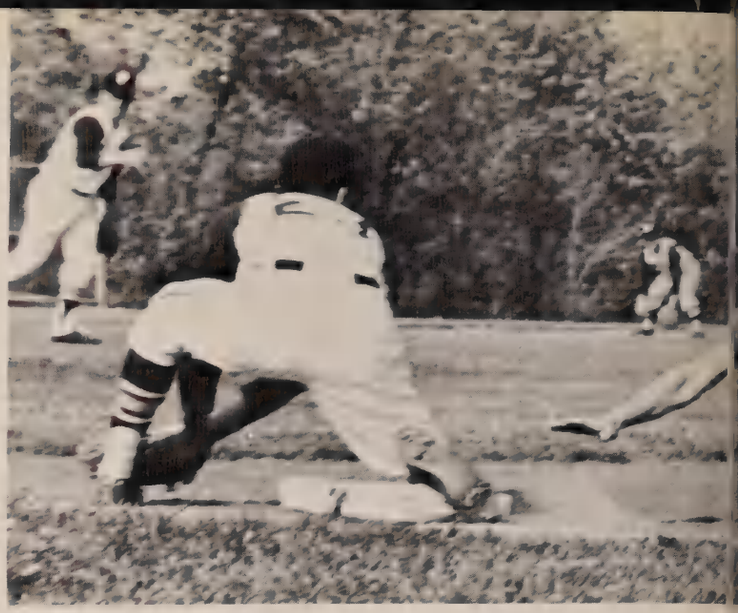
Combined efforts of the Northmen track team brought about an impressive list of team triumphs. Meeting stiff competition, the trackmen nailed down a third place in the William Chrisman Relays. Traveling to Wyandotte, the Cindermen also captured third place. Battling in a tough Suburban Eight conference, Oak Park thinclads ran and jumped their way to another third place trophy. The Bearcat relays in Maryville, saw Northmen striders meeting 10 class L Missouri teams and sprinting away with second place, and for the fourth consecutive year, Oak Park captured championship honors of the district.

Participating in three dual meets and two quadrangulars, the trackmen emerged victoriously by defeating William Chrisman and North Kansas City in duals, and by earning a first and second place in the quadrangulars. Traveling to Columbia for state meet, Oak Park sent fourteen boys to meet the prime of state talent. Larry Yach leaped to third place with a high jump of 6'3".



The two-mile relay team of Jim Iverson, Garry Penland, Steve Kearns, Randy Armstrong prepare for the state meet.

Greg Ruder, one of the conferences outstanding hurlers, demonstrates to Rick Bloomer, Joe McAllister, Mark Weissenbach, and Don Dillahunty how to throw a fork ball.



Jim Schneider stretches for the throw as a Park Hill opponent dives back to the bag.

Oakies continue winning tradition

With seventeen wins and eight losses, the Oak Park baseballers placed first in district and second in the Suburban Conference. The Northmen captured their third straight district title by defeating Ruskin two to one on May 5. Pitcher Greg Ruder allowed Ruskin only two singles and one unearned run. Ruskin maintained a 1-0 lead until the top of the seventh, when Jim Schneider walked and stole second base. Catcher Bob Minter followed by rifling a home run to right field. Ruder clinched the victory by striking out the side in the bottom of the seventh.

In the sectional playoffs, Columbia Hickman put the brakes on Oak Park's bid for a third consecutive Missouri State Baseball championship by defeating the Northmen 2-1. Hickman scored both of its unearned runs on infield errors, which had plagued the Oakies throughout the season. The loss ended a superb record of 20 consecutive wins in tournament competition.

In the Suburban Conference race, the Oak Park diamondmen finished strong, by compiling three straight victories against Ruskin, Raytown, and North Kansas City, and tying for second with the Truman Patriots. Both teams had a conference record of 10-6.

Several outstanding individuals contributed to the Northmen's success. Pitcher, Greg Ruder and outfielder, Rick Bloomer received positions on the all-conference first team. Mark Quigley, an outfielder, and Bob Minter, a catcher, were named to the second team. Mark Weissenbach received honorable mention as a pitcher.

Greg Ruder recorded 58 strike-outs for tops in that category, and compiled an earned run average of 1.49 with five wins and two losses. Mark Weissenbach achieved an earned run average of 1.25 with four wins, 3 losses. Oak Park's three leading sluggers were Rick Bloomer with a .347 batting average, Bob Minter at .318 and Gene Meyer at the .315 mark.

Mark Quigley slides into second as the ball lingers overhead.

	League		All Games	
	W	L	W	L
William Chrisman	11	5	13	9
Oak Park	10	6	17	8
Truman	10	6	13	9
Ruskin	9	7	13	8
Lee's Summit	9	7	10	11
Raytown South	8	8	11	9
Raytown	8	8	9	9
Park Hill	5	11	7	12
N. K. C.	2	14	4	15

Scores

OP	2	Ward	1	OP	7	St.Joe.Central	0
OP	5	Ward	1	OP	2	Wm. Chris.	4
OP	7	Park Hill	4	OP	0	Park Hill	9
OP	6	Lee's Summit	5	OP	2	Raytown	6
OP	2	Wm. Chrisman	7	OP	2	Ruskin	1
OP	1	Spg. Central	3	OP	1	Ray. South	2
OP	11	Spg. Parkview	5	OP	4	Ray. South	1
OP	2	N.K.C.	1	OP	4	Lee's Summit	5
OP	3	Ruskin	0	OP	8	Truman	6
OP	5	Truman	0	OP	1	Col. Hickman	2
OP	6	N.K.C.	1	OP	11	Ruskin	6
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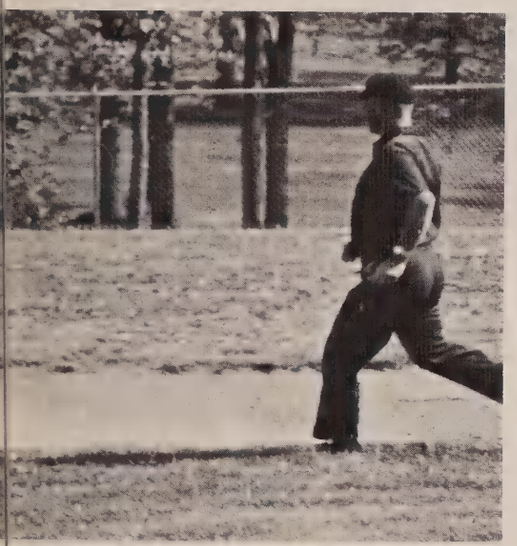
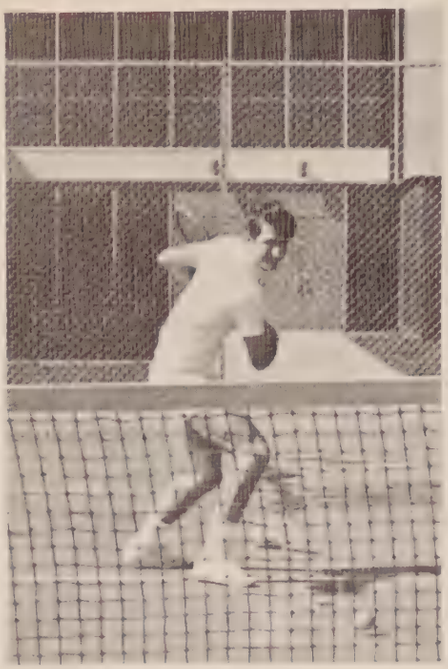


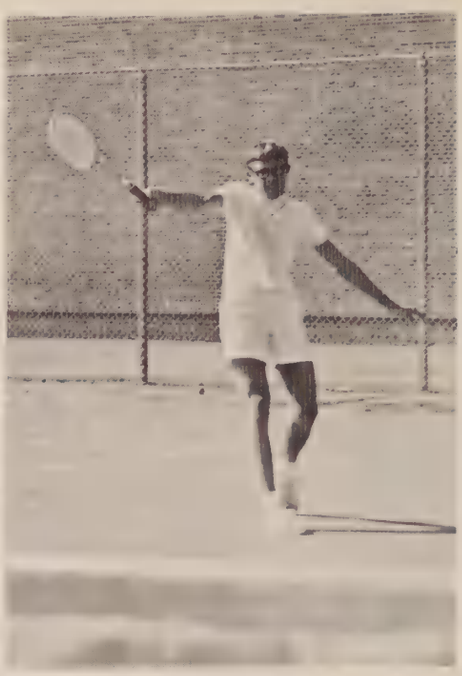
Bob Minter nails a runner at home plate.

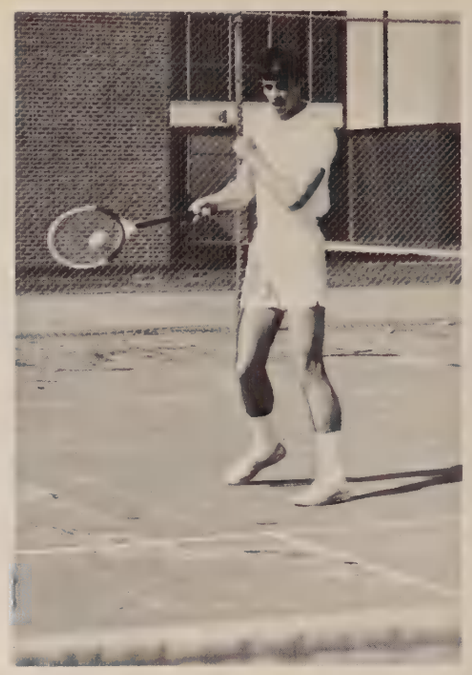
Congratulations are awarded Rick Bloomer after a home run.

Varsity baseball members are, back row, Mark Weissenbach, Bob Minter, Jim Schneider, Randy Wolverton, Rick Baehr, Gene Meyer, Mike McDaniel, Rick Bloomer, Jim Derry, Front row; David Conley, Randy Baehr, Sam Sanders, Greg Ruder, Mark Quigley, Alan Parks, Rob Keesee, Joe McAlister, Don Dillahunty.

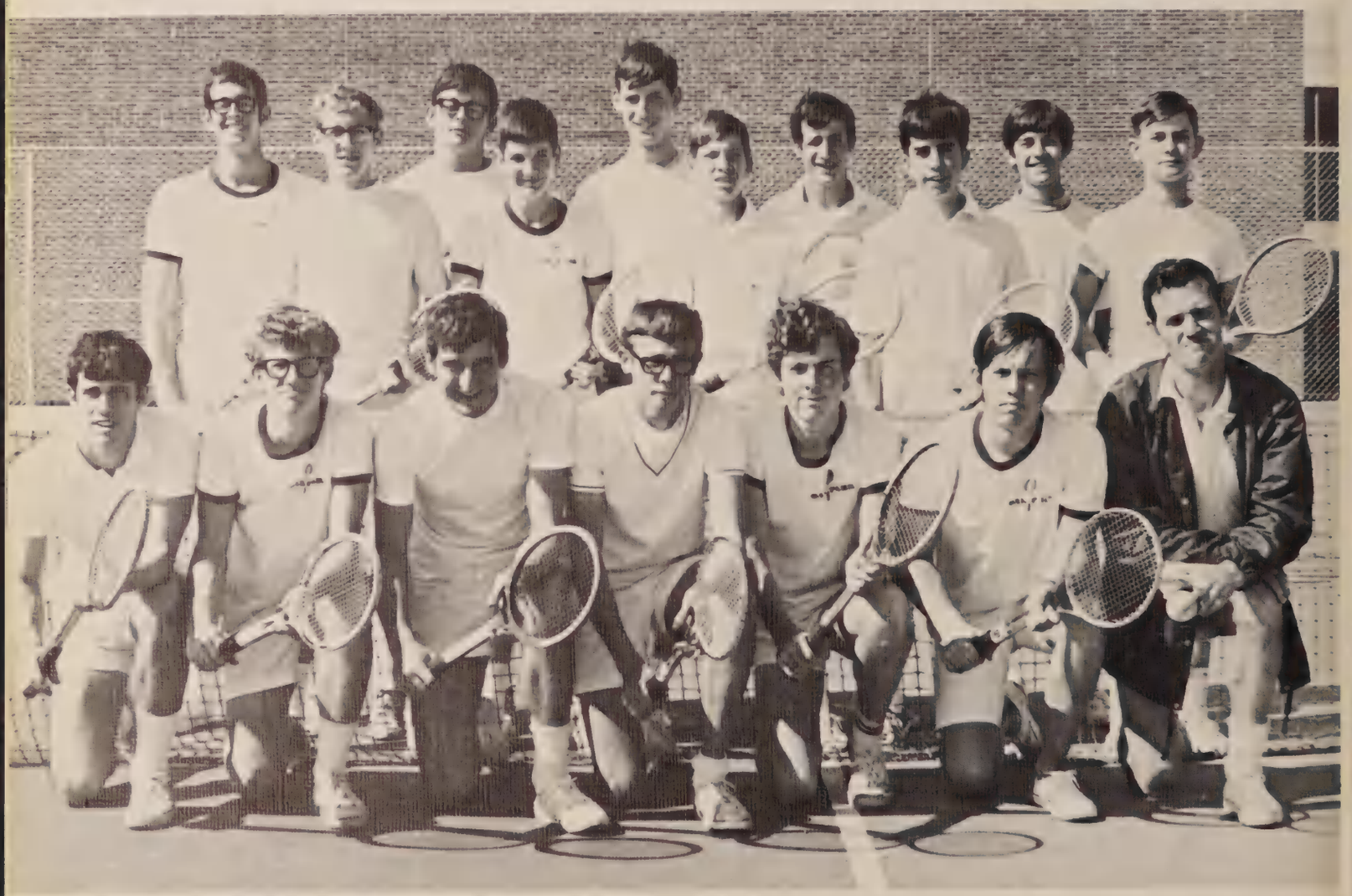


John Orlich, left, and Dean Jones, right, display the backhand swing.





Karl Kingsley applies the forehand stroke while Jim Mangold smashes one.



Oak Park netters are, back row: Marty Henderson, Kenny Holferty, Jim Hart, Scott McCandless, Mike Murman, Bob Horn, David Hein, Jim Edwards, Rick Beck and John Kennedy. The front row includes Karl Kingsley, Jim Mangold, John Orlich, Dean Jones, Per Wahlstrom, Sammy Laffoon, and coach Mr. Kenneth Swift.

Coach David Lindsey lines up with his golf squad, David Dreis, Tom Baker, Dave Stockwell, Dave Davis, Larry Kuhn, Ron Hartman, and David Banks.

An impressive sight, the tennis team displays their conference trophies won for three consecutive years.

Tennis, golf spark spring activities

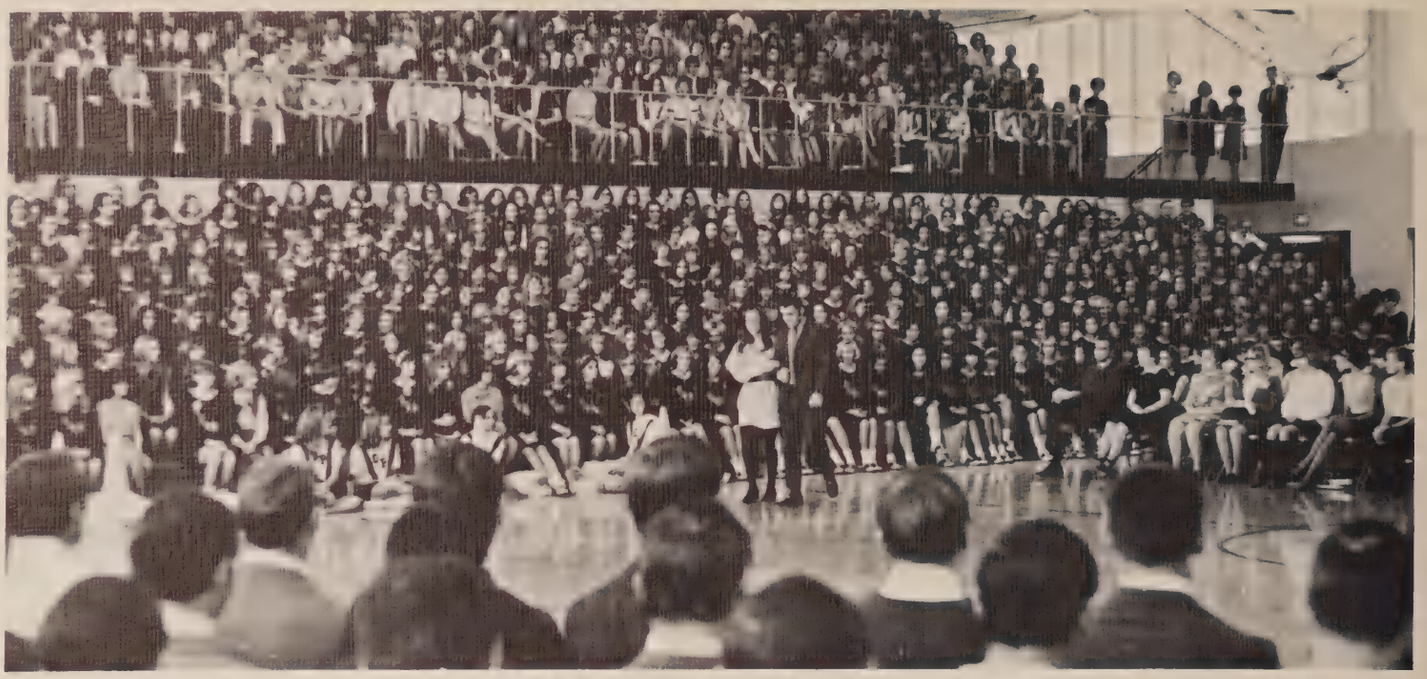
The Oak Park varsity tennis team captured their third straight suburban eight conference championship under the spirited guidance of Coach Kenneth Swift. The varsity netters, an all senior squad, consisted of Karl Kingsley, Jim Mangold, John Orlich, and Dean Jones, all three year lettermen, and Sam Laffoon and Per Wahlstrom. These six men traveled to the district meet at St. Joseph, where a combined effort brought back third place. Karl Kingsley and Jim Mangold qualified for the state meet at Columbia by earning a second place doubles victory. Directly behind them, Dean Jones and John Orlich held down third place. The overall varsity conference record, 8-0 represented a tremendous total of 87 per cent of set victories.

The Northmen golf team finished the season with a 3-10 record, scoring triumphs over Lee's Summit 7-2, Grandview 5-4, and Truman 5-4. The squad placed ninth out of fourteen in the conference tournament at Mirror Lake. Tom Baker, Oak Park's number one golfer, highlighted the meet with a hole in one on the par three, number two hole. The junior varsity wound up the season with a 2-8 record defeating Lee's Summit and Truman.

Busy plans bring fun-filled hours

From Prom to a Senior Class Grin-In various social activities at Oak Park kept the students in full swing. Mixers after games, Coronation, St. Patrick's dance, and Homecoming provided the jiving dancers some exciting action. Royalty galore appeared among the Homecoming, Winter Sports, Cambia, and St. Pat queens and kings. The Senior Class Grin-In offered a wide assortment of comedy, satire, and grins for the entire student body. The talented dramatist displayed their skills in the comedy, "Barefoot in the Park", in Three-in-the-Round, and in the rousing musical *Oklahoma*! which involved a large majority of students working in the vocal, dramatic, and art departments.

The WHB disc-jockey game again drew many laughs as the male faculty tried to show their prowess at basketball. Exhausting campaigning occurred when Student Council elections began for another year. Stuco used the modular scheduling's unscheduled mods to an advantage by scheduling assemblies in the main theater on certain mods for students who were free. They varied from a film on drugs to a musical presentation by the University of Missouri. This multitude of activities kept the involved Northmen on his toes and always ready for action. There always seemed to be something to do whether it be playing in a co-ed volleyball game, going to musical or Grin-In practice, or preparing an exhilarating pep assembly. This conglomeration of events in which one could participate was a stepping stone for getting acquainted with others in the school as well as for learning how to work with others in planning and presenting an activity.



Queen candidate, Liz Nye, and escort, Bob Minter, are introduced to the student body in the homecoming assembly.

Joann Westfall, with the other queen candidates distribute good luck charms to the football players for the homecoming game.

"A Time for Us" Ecstasy reigns among candidates

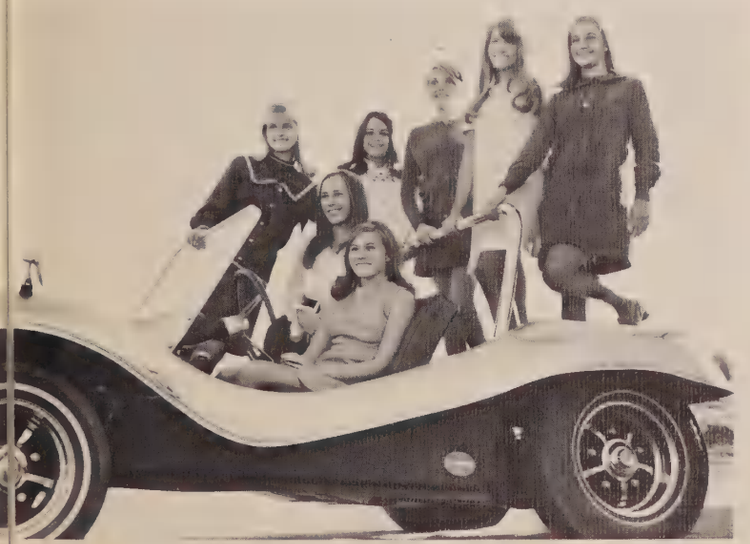
"A Time for Us" christened the beginning of the 1969 Homecoming activities. Festivities commenced with a colorful assembly presented by the A Cappella choir and the Modern Dance Club. Introduced to the student body, the seven candidates reigned over the assembly. The candidates were: Miss Gail Arenson escorted by Mr. David Jones, Miss Connie Clemens escorted by Mr. Richard Henry, Miss Linda Jenkins escorted by Mr. Mike McDaniel, Miss Liz Nye escorted by Mr. Bob Minter, Miss Debbie Sells escorted by Mr. Gene Meyer, Miss Jocelyn Thomsen escorted by Mr. Jack Beers, and Miss Joann Westfall escorted by Mr. Bill Murray.

During the assembly, the football team received toy watches carrying out the theme of "A Time for Us", and pep band, cheerleaders, and pom pon girls promoted spirit through songs, cheers, and lively routines.

The half-time ceremony, performed by the 550-member Pep Club, provided tense excitement preceding the crowning of the queen. Pep Club formed a gigantic clock on the field with the candidates name banners stationed at different times on the clock. As each candidate, escorted by her father, approached the field, the hands of the clock formed by pom pon girls, cheerleaders, and majorettes rotated to each girl's name. With the striking of the giant clock, Connie Clemens began her reign as the 1969 Homecoming Queen. At the dance, Connie regally walked to her throne through the aisle of congratulatory students. By using expressive murals, monstrous skyscrapers, and a gigantic luminous clock dominating one wall of the gym, the theme was creatively displayed, and the atmosphere for "A Time for Us" was complete.

Connie Clemens excitedly grasps her fathers arm as Sheryl Young and Debbie Bond express their happiness at the queen's announcement.

Below, Connie Clemens accepts Liz Nye's congratulations with a radiant smile.



The candidates, standing, Debbie Sells, Gail Arenson, Jocelyn Thomsen, Connie Clemens, Linda Jenkins, sitting, Liz Nye, and Joann Westfall pause from the whirlwind of Homecoming activities.

Margaret Jury, 1968-69 homecoming queen, relinquishes her crown as Connie begins her reign.

Joann Westfall

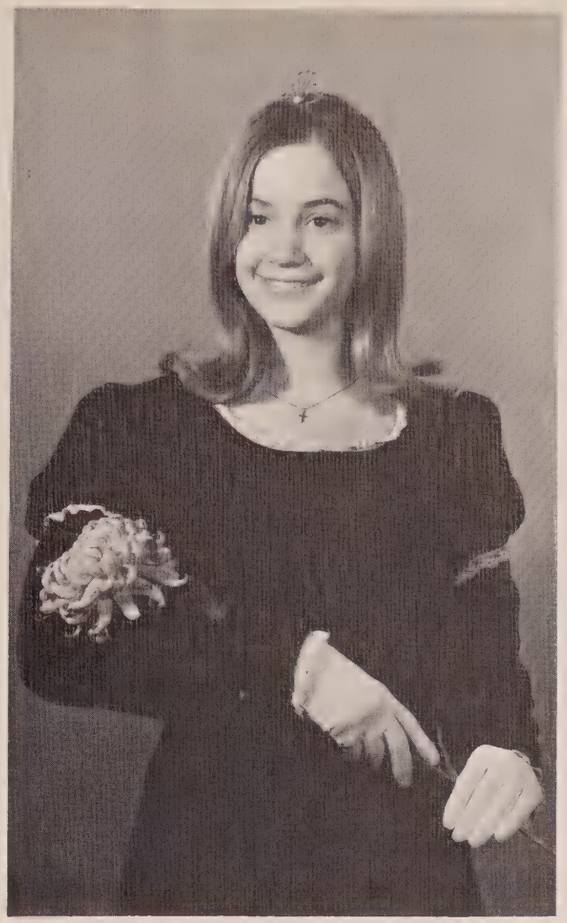
Gail Arenson

Connie Clemens

Connie typifies queenly beauty

Homecoming, one of the first major social events of the year, hosted seven candidates for queen chosen by the entire student body. After participation in a colorful assembly, the contestants were presented in the half-time ceremony. Connie Clemens, the 1969-1970 Homecoming Queen, reigned over the victorious game with her attendants.

Debbie Sells



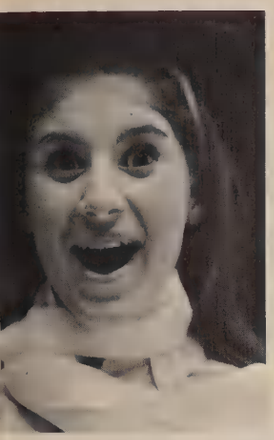
Linda Jenkins

Liz Nye

Jocelyn Thomsen

John Anderton smiles slyly in his portrayal of playboy, Victor Velasco, as Jeff Bailey contemplates his new married life.

Susie Stehnicky and Jeff Bailey enjoy the solitude of their new apartment.



Susie Stehnicky displays excitement about her new apartment while Jamie Evans gives motherly advice concerning matrimony.

Jerry Bell, telephone repairman, witnesses a lover's quarrel, as John Elliot pauses after his exhausting climb up the stairs.

Jeff Bailey struggles with Jamie Evans after a night on the town, below he tenderly consoles his pouting bride.

Pathos strikes in junior play

Never known for its cold feet, Oak Park's drama department presented Neil Simon's "Barefoot in the Park." The comedy depicted the humorous moments, as well as problems, arising in the life of a newly married couple. Surrounded by eccentric neighbors and a dowdy mother-in-law, Paul and Corie explored married life, seven stories above the din of New York in their decrepit brownstone apartment.

Jeff Bailey and Susie Stehnicky played the roles of Paul and Corie Bratter while supporting actors were Jamie Evans as Mrs. Banks and John Anderton as Victor Velasco. Alan Black, John Judy, and Dave MacMurchy portrayed moving men and Dave Okerstrom was cast as the mailman. Jerry Bell enacted the part of a telephone repair man and John Elliot, the part of a delivery man. John also doubled as the lead the second week-end of the production because of Jeff Bailey's injury in a sandlot football game. The enthusiasm and hard work of the cast and crew overcame the obstacle of broken bones and drew the eager applause of those who enjoyed the evenings' entertainment.

Blue Spotlights

Talent enhances variety show

"Pack Up Your Troubles and Smile, Smile, Smile—Take a Trip with the Oakies" constituted the theme of Pep Club's Blue Spotlights variety show. Talent and comedy abounded in a journey around the world on a plane trip with Oak Park students. Similar to the comedy innovations of the decade, the program used the style of television's "Laugh-In!" Interwoven with the humorous narration of Sam Sanders and Dave Asby, a wide variety of talent from a German Club melodrama to Modern Dance Club's interpretation of *West Side Story's* rumble scene kept the show on the move. The instrumental trio composed of Sharon Mark, Greg Wells, and Bill Brandom earned a trophy as the best performers in the production. The plane trip came to a close at Oak Park with a rendition of the song, "Kansas City." Faculty supervisor, Miss Annette Luyben, student director, Karen Lewis, and script writer, Jocelyn Thomsen carried the responsibility for the organization and continuity of the production.

Playing spiritedly in the Jug and Bottle Band, Melody Martin, Kathy Mathis, Steve Ramsey, and Sue Finch puff and blow "A Bicycle Built for Two" on their respective instruments.

Taking time out from their busy schedules, counselors Mr. Robert Shearer and Mrs. Donna Thompson appear in their stage costumes to advertise the evenings performance of Blue Spotlights.

Performing a strip-tease down to their long underwear, Lynn Willis and Lu Laursen sing "I Love My Clothes."

Marsha Miller smiles engagingly at her stuffed lion.

Debbie Warrens and Meg Lear relax after their night club portrayal. On the left harem "girls" stretch out before dancing in the show. They are left to right: Larry Kuhn, Greg Griffith, Brian Jones, Mike Skaggs, and Tom Legg.

Patty Morton anxiously awaits another sale from her box of salt.

Susie Smith takes time to stop and write another Cambia receipt.

Janet Hightower encourages people to buy before the midnight hour.

Awaiting Cambia sales, Peggy Prucha smiles from her Post Office.

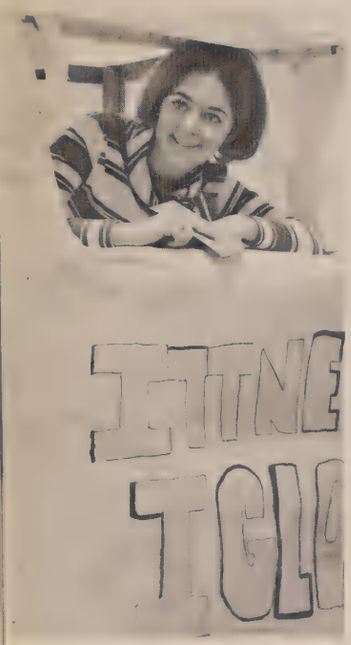
Campaign sparks yearbook sales

Under shimmering lights the dancers prepared for the approach of the candidates to the throne. Seven excited girls were escorted down the aisle and took their places under glistening streamers of blue and green. A rotating silver ball in the center of the gym, cast small lights around the room. The stage was set; the music stopped and a hush descended over the crowd as Brooks Kenagy announced the 1970 Cambia Queen—Peggy Prucha.

Weeks of preparation preceded this eventful night. Committee meetings, the choosing of dependable salesman and managers, multitudes of telephone calls, and the assemblage of imaginative sales booths occupied the time of each candidate. To assist the girls, dedicated managers, Richard Henry, Richard Holding, Richard Reed, Greg Wells, Mike Skaggs, Gene Meyer, and Steve Ramsey organized the sales campaigns and aided the candidates with public relations.

Richard Reed, campaign manager, and Brooks Kenagy, business manager, look on while Queen Peggy Prucha flashes a smile.

Debbie Ittner warmly advances Cambia sales from Ittner's Igloo.



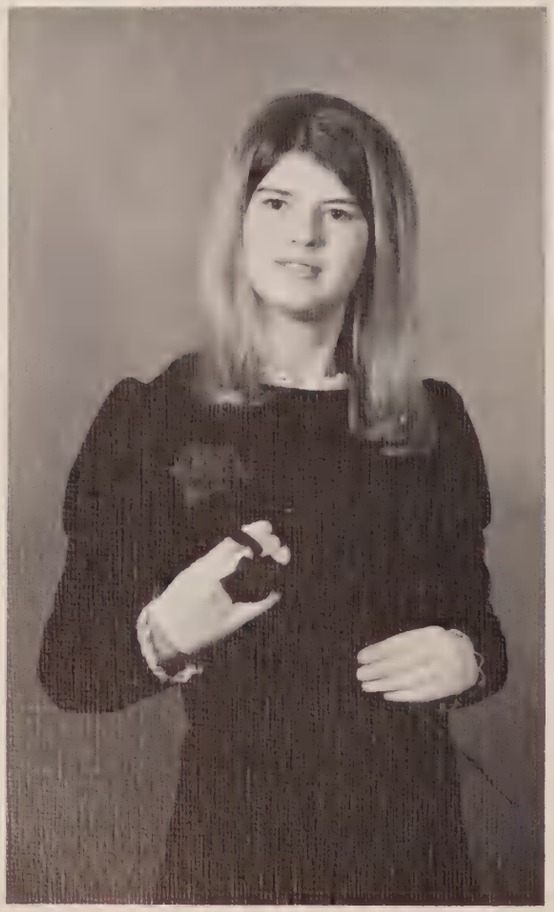
Penny Wilson anticipates the dividends from another Cambia sale.

Sue Finch offers relief from school psychosis as her sales mount.

Peggy Prucha and Richard Reed graciously open the queen's dance after crowning ceremonies.

Debbie Ittner

Sue Finch



Patty Morton

Penny Wilson

Peggy Prucha

Janet Hightower

Susie Smith

Queen Peggy heads Cambia campaign

The 1970 Cambia Queen and her attendants posed here in their coronation gowns, each spent many breathless hours selling this year's Cambia. Candidate's trips to local offices and personal contact with every Oak Park student greatly influenced the successful outcome of the sales campaign. Queen Peggy Prucha, the girl who sold more yearbooks than any other candidate, was announced during Oak Park's Coronation Ball.

Pam Crawford discusses her fantasy life with Dave Ockerstrom, While below Susie Day and Sean Deaton listen as Debbie Wakefield glibly explains her changed views on life and death.

One acts offer meaningful drama

The senior class production gave life a three dimensional outlook through "Three in the Round." A perspective was added by each of the one act plays featured. "Triumph of the Egg" offered a slice of life showing the bitterness and frustration of a discouraged restaurant owner. Pa, played by Jim Jackson, struggled all his life to succeed and impress Ma, portrayed by LaRu Klang. Dave Asby as Joe Kane, the doctor's son and Joe Kenley as Freddie expedited Pa's decline to disillusionment.

"This Property is Condemned" led the audience on a walk down the railroad track with Willie, played by Pam Crawford. All her life Willie lived as a parasite off her beautiful sister Alva. Alva died and when the audience met Willie, she still lived Alva's life in her fantasy world. Willie showed her confused state in a conversation with Tom played by Dave Okerstrom.

"Phoenix Too Frequent" delved into the farcical as it presented a Roman love story, in old English with contemporary undercurrents. Debbie Wakefield, the bereaved Dynamine contemplated suicide because of her husband's death, until she met Cromus as played by Sean Deaton. Thoughts of death disappeared as the love between Cromus and Dynamine grew. The one act was lent a humorous air by the presence of Susie Day as the drunk and flighty maid, Dodo. This final play was an appropriate finish to "Three in the Round."

All eyes are on Dave Asby as he samples coffee from Jim Jackson's cafe and Joe Kenley frolics unbeknown to Ma, LaRu Klang.

New queen honors all winter sports

Among the many innovations of the year, a Winter Sports Queen was introduced to the student body. The Pep Club officiated the contest as seven girls were chosen to be finalists in reigning over track, basketball, and wrestling teams. The girls chosen for this honor included Gail Seney, Beanie Asby, Becky Anderson, Melody Martin, Barb Thompson, Angela Santa Maria, and Gayle West. To differentiate this queen contest from any other at Oak Park and to allow the whole student body to witness the crowning, the girls were introduced and the queen crowned in an all school assembly.

Decorations for the assembly involved three enormous panels, each containing a huge drawing of representatives from each of the winter sports. On the opposite end of the gym, gigantic blue rosters contained the names of all the individuals involved in track, wrestling, and basketball. Three faculty members contributed their special talents to the assembly's originality. Mr. Barry Kennedy drew an enormous Northmen, while Mr. Bill Grace sang the alma mater accompanied on piano by Mr. Lynn Blair. Basketball coach, Jim Draper, wrestling coach, Jim Taylor, and track coach, Jerry Crews performed the honors of announcing the queen, crowning her, and escorting her to her throne. The first Winter Sports Queen, Gayle West, began her 1970 reign. At the basketball game the same night, Gayle and her attendants were honored and presided over the game sitting amidst the pep club in a decorated arrangement in blue. After the game at the Neil Norlag dance sponsored by the junior class, the candidates and queen were announced and escorted to places of honor in the gymnasium.

Mr. Jim Taylor bestows Gayle West with a kiss at the crowning ceremonies.

Joe Andrews accepts the award from Gayle West, for the second place in the Regional tournament.

Mr. Barry Kennedy swiftly paints the huge Northmen for the Winter Sports Assembly during the singing of the Alma Mater.

Mr. Jerry Crews and Mr. Jim Draper observe Mr. Jim Taylors auspicious technique as he crowns Gail West Winter Sports Queen.

Track coach, Mr. Jerry Crews, admires his tractor received as a good luck charm from the Pep Club.

Angela Santa Maria

Becky Anderson

Melody Martin

Barb Thompson

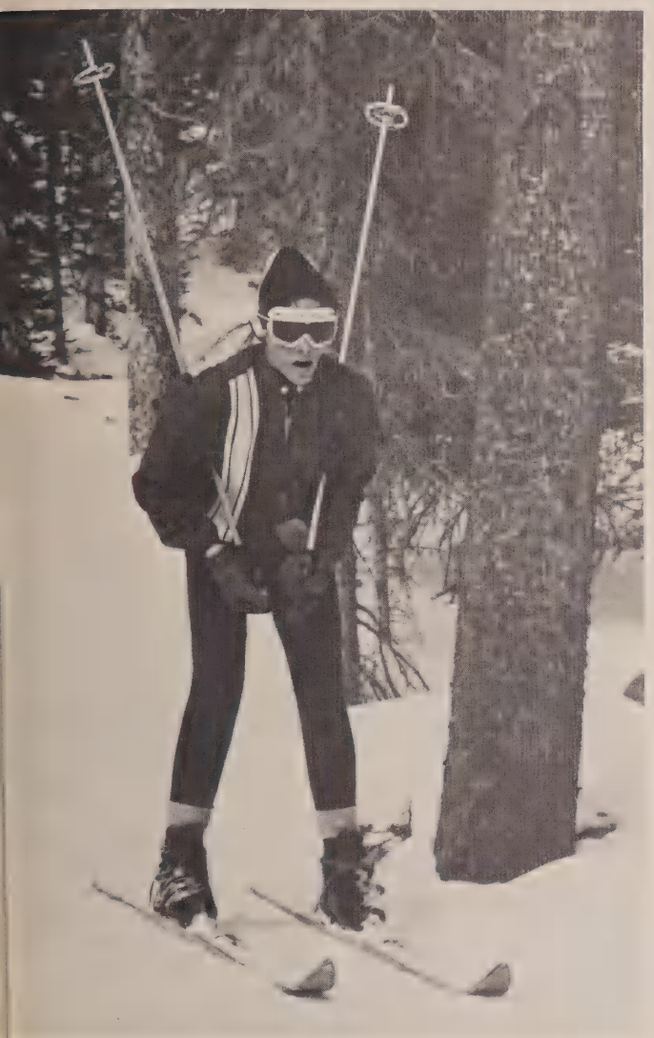
Gayle West wins sports queen title

Miss Gayle West, the 1970 Winter Sports Queen, was the first Oakie ever to hold this honor. Besides presiding over the winter sports dance, Gayle awarded the first and second place trophies at the Regional Basketball Tournament held at Oak Park. The queen and her attendants were presented each with a charm as a memory of this unforgetable experience.

Queen Gayle West

Beanie Asby

Gail Seney



Mark Wilson demonstrates his skiing ability as he snow-plows down the slopes, while below German and Spanish club buffoons caper.

Clubs journey to sunny slopes

Friday, March 20, marked the beginning of a fun-filled weekend for 75 German and Spanish club members. Armed with baggage, pillows, and food, the ski-minded Oakies journeyed overnight to Estes Park, Colorado. For the inexperienced, it was a time of bumps and bruises; for the skilled, a chance to polish up old tricks. Evening activities of bowling, swimming, ice-skating, and roller-skating added to the trip's success. After thirteen hours on the slopes, the trek was climaxed by an unexpected flat tire, making the homeward trip a swinging eighteen hours.

Upper left, Richard Reed aids Nancy Crane while right, Mr. Steven Pate adjusts Mrs. Lynda Pate's ski. Below, Linda Ewing examines the rack for suitable skis.

Mark Quigley

Steve Ramsey

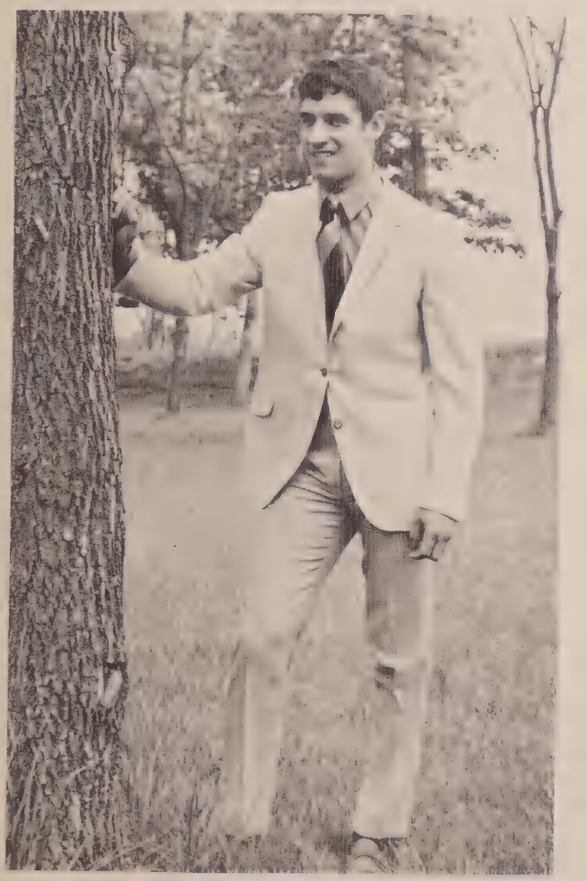
St. Pat honors seven seniors

Candidates for St. Pat's king, chosen through the pep club, reigned at the annual St. Patrick's girl-ask-boy affair. Shamrocks and toadstools, the basis of the decorations, scattered the green throughout the dancer-filled gymnasium. After being escorted to their places in front of the room, the king was announced to the students. "The 1969-1970 St. Pat's king is Greg Ruder."

King Greg Ruder

Steve Delphia

Richard Henry



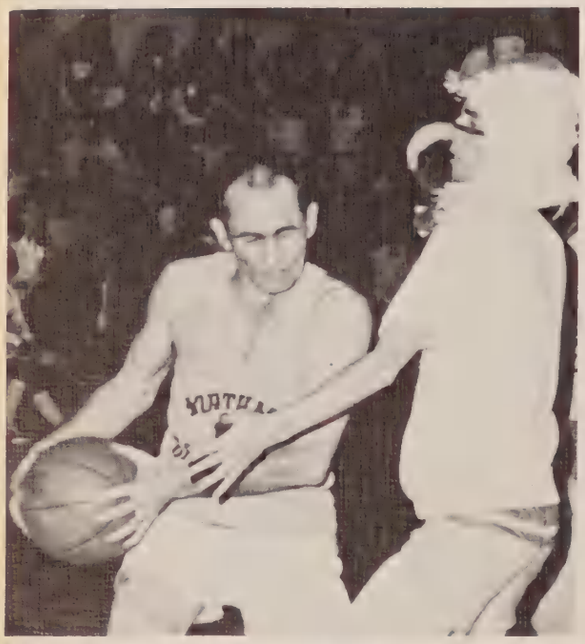
Rick Baehr

Bill Murray

Faculty smashes D J roundballers

The annual faculty-WHB basketball game again drew a larger crowd as the men faculty leaped and shot for a 83-80 victory over the dancing D.J.'s. Basketball wasn't the only game being played, as a depansing of the referee, Mr. Powers, and a shoot-out between Mr. Merlin Baker and the romping chickenman brought laughter from the excited crowd, as well as flying feathers. Backing the men faculty the women faculty cheered and yelled trying to lead the pep club. One of the star players, Mr. Merlin Baker was spurred on by the multitude of fans carrying banners with his picture, and the flood of posters covering the walls. Coach Wieland, true to his wrestling form, pinned the unfortunate Russy-Poo Spooner, adding another unforseen attraction to the Log-sponsored event. All-in-all the men faculty decided the game well displayed their skill and talent at basketball as well as providing a time for their students to see them in a more human light. Rejuvination after the game came in the form of a dinner at the Gold Buffet, for players and their wives.

Jim Nelson, John Judy, Randy Armstrong, and John Barstow run through a skit for the W.H.B. players.



Mr. Merlin Baker makes a calculated move around W H B's Chicken Man.

The boys pep club and fans of Mr. Merlin Baker cheer the Oak Park faculty to victory.

Mr. Steve Westfall puts the press on a W H B opponent. Below, Annette Luyben, Joyce Bergstrom, Shirley Cromer, and Rick Bergstrom follow the excitement of the game.

Program flaunts talented clowns

Exploding from the creativity and imagination that lurk deep in the minds of the senior class, Oak Parks second annual Grin-in gave a humorous diversion to the more than 700 people that witnessed the spectacle. Moulded around the stage pattern set by the NBC television show, Laugh-in, an hour long series of songs, jokes, and school related skits composed the roster of events. The long arms of the publicity committee reached out not only to students of Oak Park and their parents, but residents of Gladstone and North Kansas City as well.

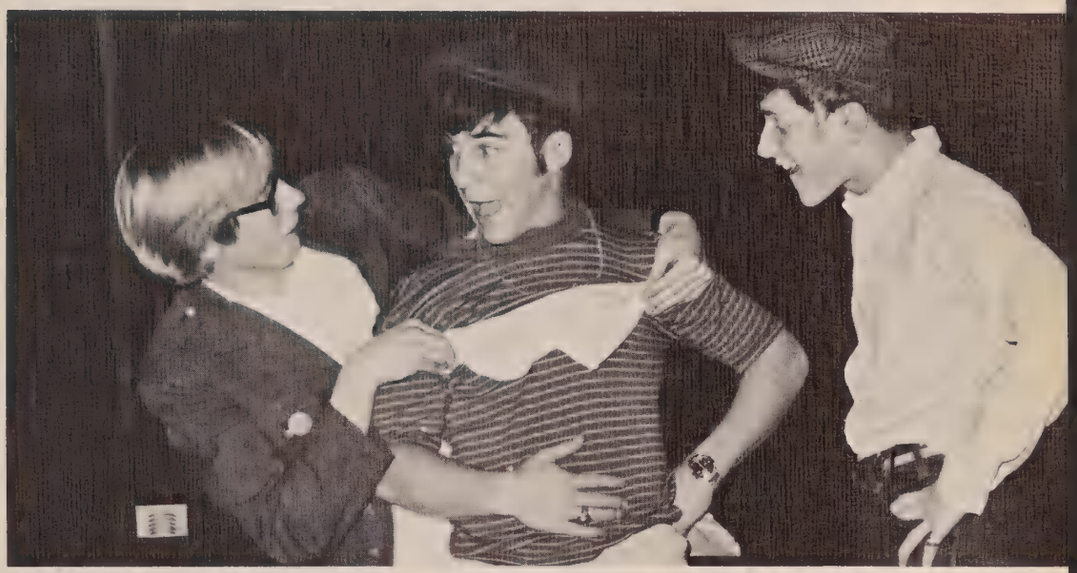
Sponsored by Miss Shirly Cromer and under the capable direction of Jocelyn Thompsen, the hard working Grin-in cast not only drew the crowds but raked in a respectable amount of money to be used for the senior gift. Many evenings of diligent practice and script evaluation were spent in preparing the hilarious production, which gave the audience as big a side ache as it did the cast.

Sean Deaton, the mechanical cowboy slaps leather to outdraw the poor Indian boy, Bob Smith.

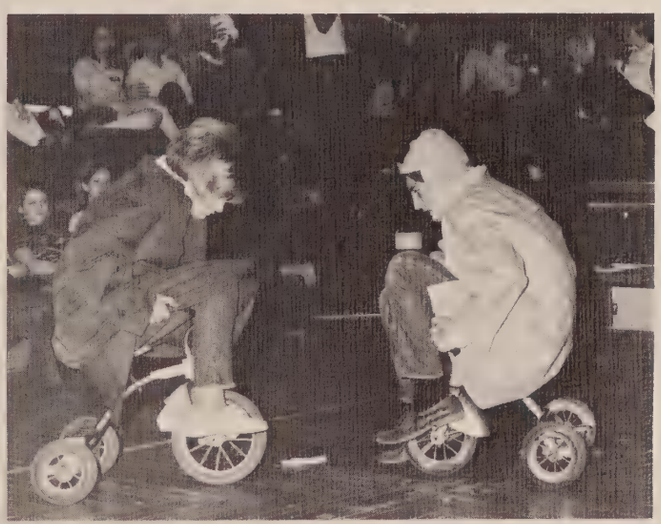
Flicker Farkle, the fairest of the Farkle family, frolics in the form of Kathy Gray.

Rick Bunce, Rick Holding, and Danny Raines give their own version of "Where, Oh Where, is My True Love Tonight?"

Knocked down in the rush to carry out a favorite Oakie pastime, *T.P.ing*, Daryl Currence lies below the victim tree.



Chris Robertson demonstrates his slight-of-the-hand techniques for emcees Sam Sanders and Dave Asby.



Nancy Hawver rushes head-on to a collision with brother Pat in the Senior Class Grin-In.

Greg Wells and Kathy Moffatt take a jaunt in the famous surrey with the fringe on top.

Kathy Moffatt's rug beater becomes a weapon against Greg Well's advances.

Aunt Eller, Debbie Wakefield, remains unimpressed with Greg Wells efforts to convince her it is a beautiful morning.

Ali Hakim, Jerry Bell, courts Ado Annie, Sue Finch under the watchful eye of her Pa, Dave Crim.

"O *Sets augment musical's success*

klahoma, where the wind comes sweeping down the plain;" set the scene and musical background for Oak Park's arousing musical production. "Oklahoma," written by Rodgers and Hammerstein, flourished under the capable direction of Mrs. Fay Coleman and Mr. Bill Grace with choreography by Mrs. Nancy Hudson and Janet Kavanaugh. Pit orchestra, under the direction of Mr. James Chandler, provided a vital musical accompaniment to the accomplished singing and acting performed by the members of the cast. Carrying out many backstage duties, the set, stage, prop, and house crews rarely met the spotlight. Their work provided a major part of the musical's success through its realistic portrayal of the Oklahoma territory.

Making his debut as Curly, Greg Wells opened the first scene with "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning," as Aunt Eller portrayed by Debbie Wakefield, wistfully dreamed of her youth. Curly held no interest in serenading Aunt Eller, however, for he had come to ask Laurey, Kathy Moffatt, to the box social that evening. Laurey played hard to get, so Curly vividly promised her a "Surrey with the Fringe on Top."

The farmer and the cowman sing their vow to be friends.

Ali Hakim, Jerry Bell, displays his array of wares to Jud Fry, Steve Ramsey.

The farmer, Rick Larson, and the cowman, Jon Elliot, agree to be friends during a tense moment in the musical.

United efforts shapes musical

Emotions ran high at the box social as bidding for Laurey's picnic lunch became fierce between Jud Fry and Curly. The strong characters, vital in making the territory Oklahoma become a state, overcame personal problems of their own. Will Parker, played by Barry Schneider, returned from Kansas City only to find his love with Ado Annie, Sue Finch, was in jeopardy at the clutches of a sneaky Persian peddler man, Ali Hakim, portrayed by Jerry Bell. Due to shrewd management of his finances, Will Parker earned the marriage right to Ado Annie.

The entire cast was present at Curley's and Laurey's wedding, and later stood witness at the culmination of Jud's hatred, where Curly and Jud fought to the death. Curly emerged victoriously, and he and his bride lead the full chorus in a final exhuberant rendition of "Oklahoma!"

Ado Annie, Sue Finch, eyes her fiance, Will Parker, Barry Schneider, who melodically explains the aspects of marriage. Below, Sue Finch and Pam Crawford scuffle in a jealous argument over Will Parker.

The images of Laurie, Janet Kavanaugh, Jud, Randy Miller, and Curley, Randy Moore struggle in the dream scene.

Juniors, Mark Wilson and Paulette Schultz stop on the bridge to admire their previous night's work.

Seniors Linda Ewing and Jim Mangold take time out to admire the flowered pond at the prom.

Janet Hightower and Richard Henry enjoy the refreshments served by Holland Maidens, Melva Arney and Arla Johnson.

Karl Pfankuch points out his friend's initials on the sweetheart tree to Connie Zinn.

Windmills spin pleasant memories

Memories of the award-winning song, "Windmills of Your Mind," will long echo in the minds of juniors and graduating seniors as the song, the theme of the 1969-1970 junior-senior prom, was recreated through the originality and handiwork of the hardworking junior class. Working with picturesque Holland and the words of the well-known melody, the juniors transformed the school gymnasium into a land of windmills, flowers, and charming mural displays of Holland scenery. One side of the gym portrayed Holland children and contained a huge windmill, while the other held meaningful phrases from "Windmills of Your Mind." The band, the Classmen, provided a final touch to a memorable evening by closing with a medley of graduation melodies.

Couples savor the last few moments of prom.

Being unfamiliar with the layout of Oak Park, and confronted by modular scheduling, the sophomore class fell into the depths of confusion during the first few weeks of school. However, through the intensified orientation program, help from their upperclassmen, and their own initiative, the sophomores transformed themselves into a functioning and worthwhile part of the student body. Resounding with school spirit, sophomores supported their classes activities and sports events to the point of choosing a sophomore cheerleading squad.

With a full year of Oak Park under their collars, the juniors enthusiastically drew support for the school's activities. As the juniors accepted the role of one of the most active classes at Oak Park, they began their many money making projects that eventually would lead to one of the most important events of the year, Prom. Backed by the support of the entire school the bake sales, plays, and other fund raising programs, rendered the juniors a vital and important group on the Oak Park scene.

Junior class officers, Jane Saling, Bob Beers, Dru Dixon, and Jane Reed, prepare hot dogs at a basketball tournament.

Leadership grows with responsibility

Cathy Abshire
Linda Ackerson
Diana Adair
Kyle Adams
Ruth Adams
Teri Adams
Mark Adcock

David Alig
Cheri Allen
William Allison
Shiela Allman
Donna Altenhofen
Eileen Amdall
Daniel Amelung

Chris Ancona
James Anders
Barb Anderson
Cindy Anderson
Richard Andrews
Janice Archibald
Randy Armstrong

Sherry Ayres
Cheryl Bailey
Jeff Bailey
Liz Baldwin
Anne Bales
Robert Ball
David Ballard

Paul Barker
Tony Barnett
Noland Barr
John Barstow
Jeri Barton
Madelaine Bates
Susan Bauerle

Jim Bauman
David Baxter
Sandy Beall
Pam Beauvais
Al Beck
Linda Beers
Bob Beers

Randy Belcher
Connie Bell
Kathy Belman
Mike Bender
Louie Benenate
Cathy Berbert
Terry Berger

Linda Bergerhofer
Sharon Berges
Ruth Bergstrom
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Steve Billings
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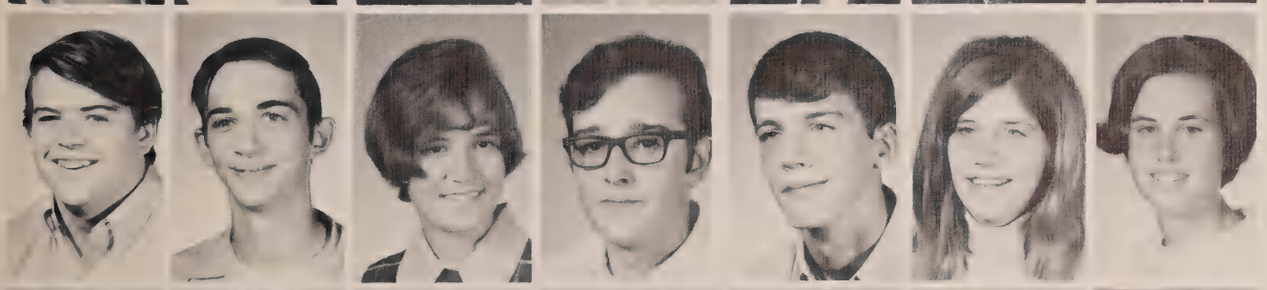
Mike Biondi



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Laura Blakemore
John Bolten
Bill Bolyard
Pat Bolyard
Pam Bond

Lawrence Boone
Susie Boor
Bob Boustead
Norman Boze
Lucinda Brandt
Connie Bratcher
Linda Brattin

Juniors jive at school events

A sock hop provides diversive entertainment at a morning pep rally.

Krista Bratton
Debby Bringus
Mark Brosnahan
Brenda Bross
Denise Brown
Leroy Brown
Marsha Brown

Judi Brus
Linda Bryant
Greg Buckmaster
Sandi Burd
Cathi Burton
David Bush
Mary Butler

Tony Butler
Carol Campbell
Dennis Campbell
Janet Campbell
Kathy Campbell
Keith Campbell
Liz Campbell

Dennis Capps
Donna Carlton
Gary Carne
Joe Carpenter
Sandra Carpenter
Connie Carver
Marie Carver

Jeffrey Cason
Mark Chapman
Kathy Cheek
Lonnie Childers
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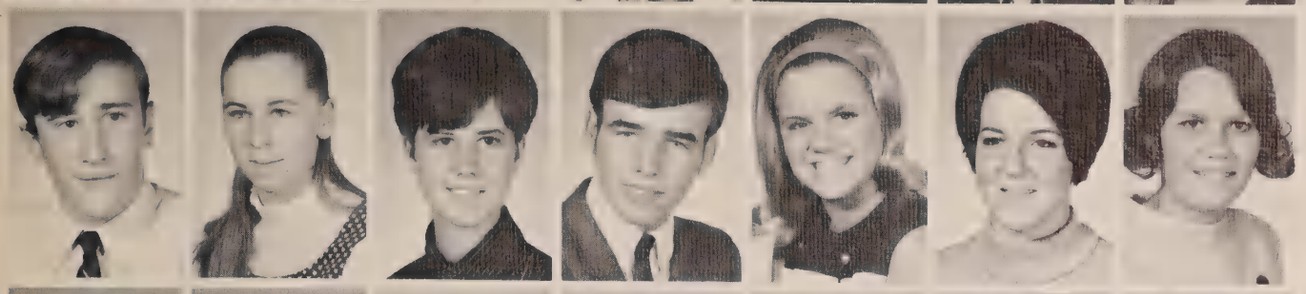
Mark Clemence
Pat Clemens



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Joan Cockrill
Pam Cole
Don Colley
Carla Cook
Nancie Cook
Cathy Cooper

Kathy Coulter
Gary Couser
Mary Cowper
Carla Cox
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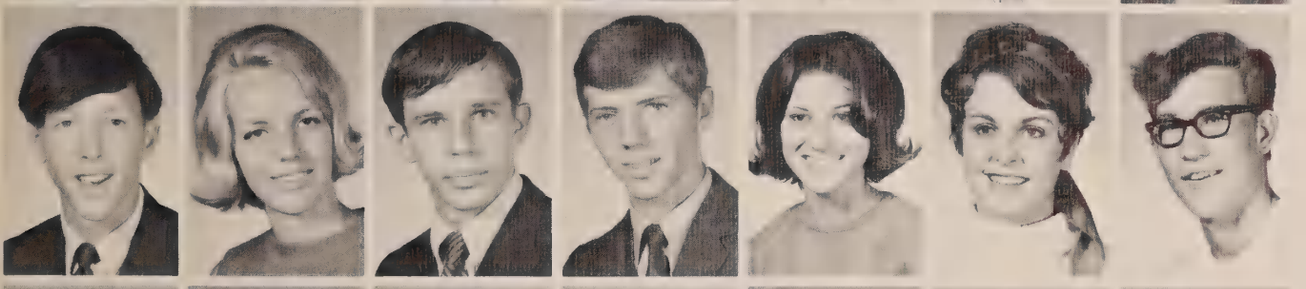
Debbie Cranfill
John Creveling

Dave Crim
Gary Crispin
Joy Croney
Becky Crookshanks
Don Crowder
Mark Cummins
Debbie Cunningham



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Kenneth Darnell
David Davis
Virginia Davis
Nancy Day
Jesse Dever

Debby Devor
Sandra Dickerson
Don Dillahunty
Dru Dixon
Dale Dobyns
Charles Dome
Eddie Dougherty

Katherine Dougherty
Earl Dowell
Ruth Drewes
Debbie Duff
Bonita Duffield
Robert Dunbar
Richard Dunn

Laurel Eckert
Don Edmonds
Carol Ellerman
Chris Elliott
Cathy Ellis
Joyce Elven
Linda Eplee

Tom Erisman
Mark Esteb
Deborah Estep
Earl Evans
Joe Evans
Julie Evans
Mary Faish

Kenneth Fanning
Marla Fanning
Art Farnsworth
Alan Fashion
Curt Faulconer
Kevin Felts
Dennis Ferguson

Jeff Fields
Sandy Filsinger
Edward Fish
Sheryl Fisher
Gary Flanagan
Janice Fleck
Elaine Fleming

Pam Flood
Ann Forster
Judy Foster
Pat Foster
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Kenny Fox
Carol Fredericks

Patricia Frike
Vicki Fry
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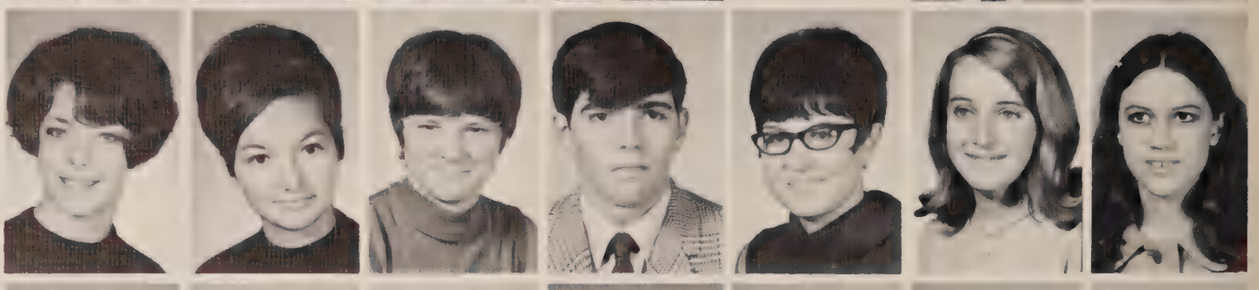
Kristy Gamble
Cheryl Gamel



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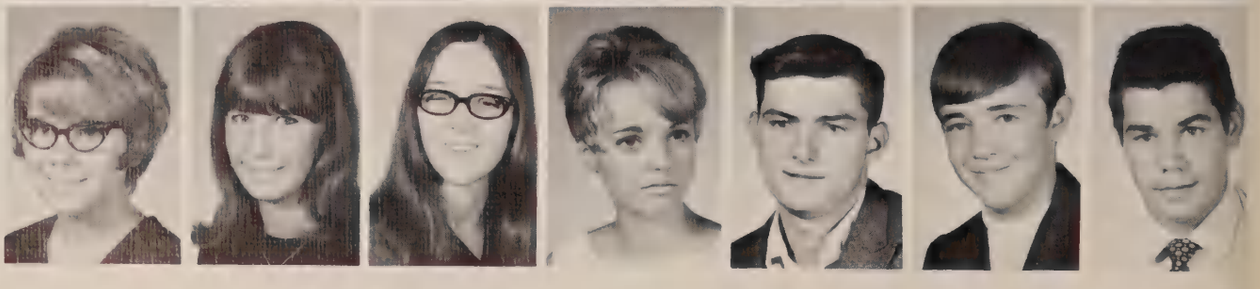

Junior varsity cheerleaders Linda Wellons, Kyle Adams, Nancie Nieman, Patty Woodson, Anne Kuenzi, and Krista Bratton display a cake for their winning football team.

School spirit echoes from junior class

Richard George
Bob Gering
Betty Gibson
Edward Gilbreath
Jerry Gillespie
Marilyn Gillett
Carmen Gilmore

Janet Glasscock
Karen Glasscock
Jim Goehrung
Chris Goetsch
Barbara Golubski
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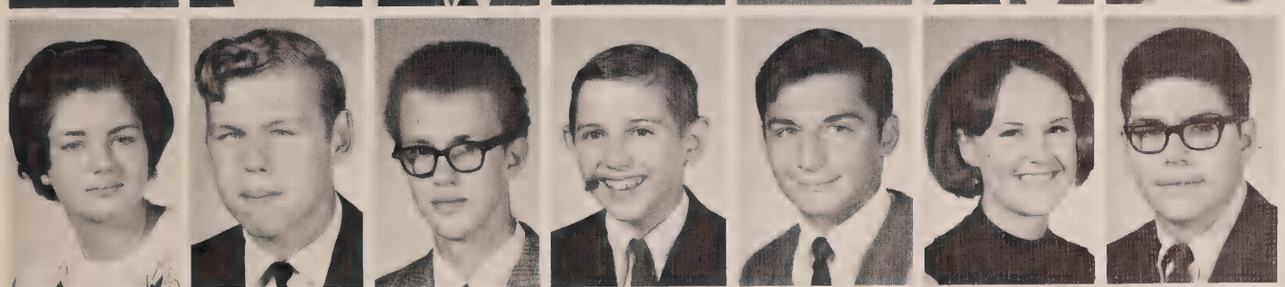

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Richard Hall

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Philip Hamilton
Bob Hamilton
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Monica Haney
Merlynn Hargrove

Jim Hart
Robyn Hart
Don Hass
John Haubein
Pam Haug
John Havercamp
Tennis Hayes

Mike Hays
Denise Heath
Greg Heiberg
Alicia Heinrich
Ray Heinrich
Cliff Henbest
Charlotte Henderson

Marty Henderson
Donna Hendren
Virginia Henley
Georgia Hepner
Dennis Hesher
Tim Hinkle
Laura Hirt

Jim Hobbs
Ann Hogan
Sherry Holcomb
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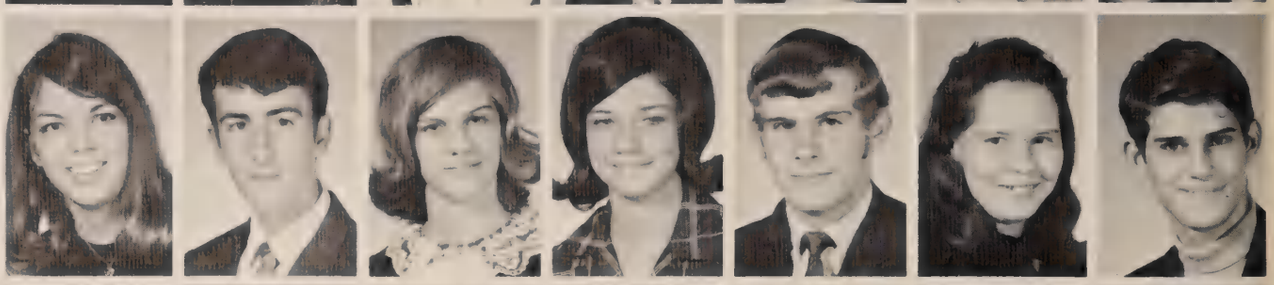

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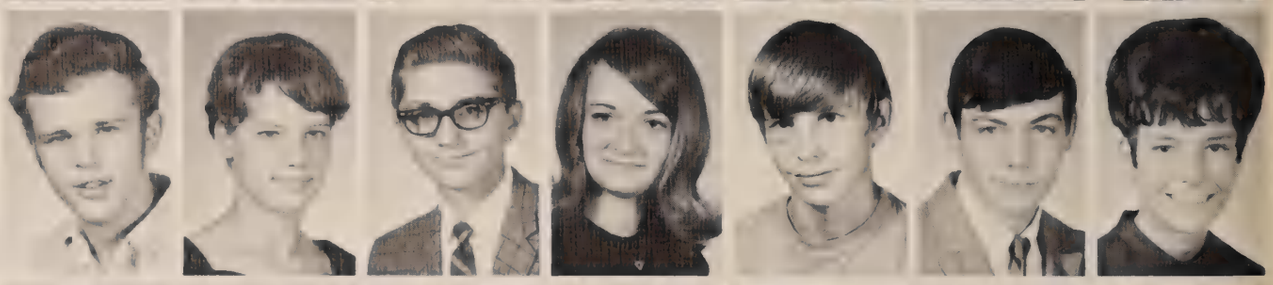

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Susan Johnson
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John Judy
Connie Karnes
Steve Kearnes
Robert Keesee
Debora Kemp
Arthur Kennedy
Deborah Kerr

Sandy Kerr
Gayla Kilgore
Susan Kimbrough
Debra Klingler
Ray Knappenberger
Garry Knoll
Frank Koerber

Earlene Koons
Lois Kraft
Vicky Kroencke
Benson Krull
Janet Kuehn
Anne Kuenzi
Tom Kuhn

Glenn Ladd
Steve Lambert
Eugene Landis
Tom Lanio
Tom Larrick
Jim Larson
Rick Larson

Bob Guzley stretches his chance in a junior class cake walk.

Games advance junior fund drive

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Bill Lawson
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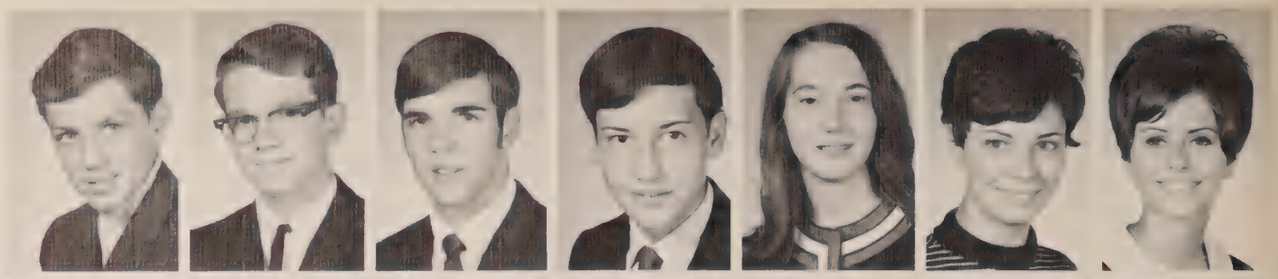
Harold Legler
Ann Leimkuhler
Vicki Lemarr
Brenda Leuty



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Doug Macken
David MacMurchy

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Karen Malsick
Frank Mandina
Linda Mansfield

Angene Marchio
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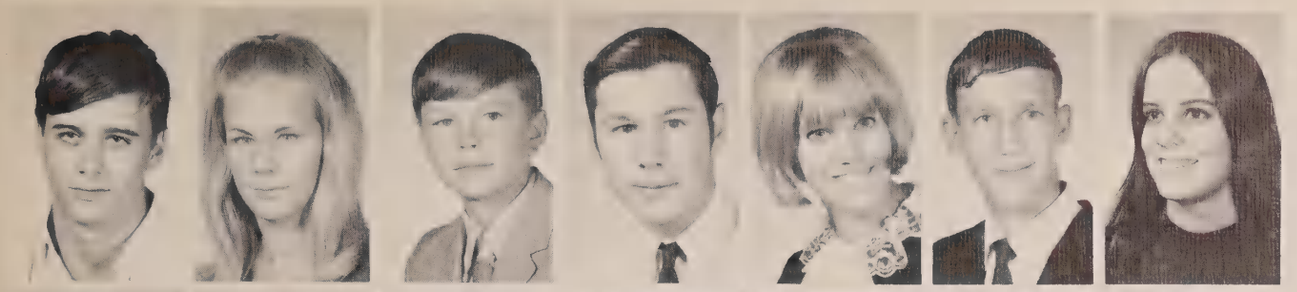
Greg Roberts and Patti Huber review lab manual technique for constructing experimental apparatus.

Biology challenges junior scientists



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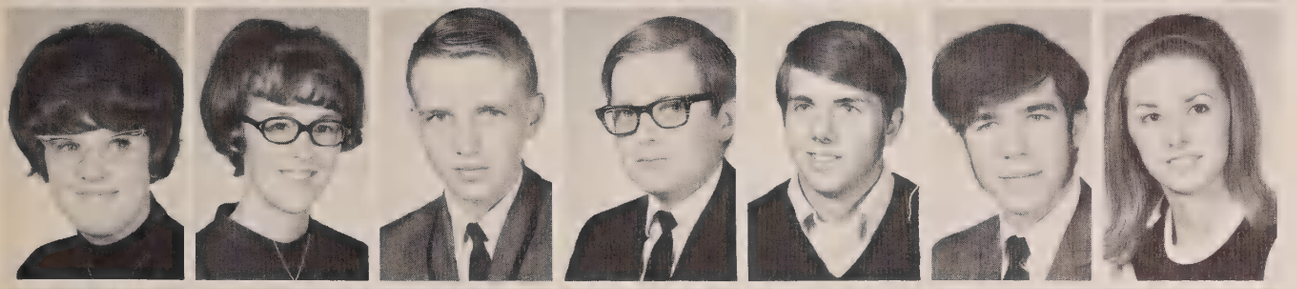

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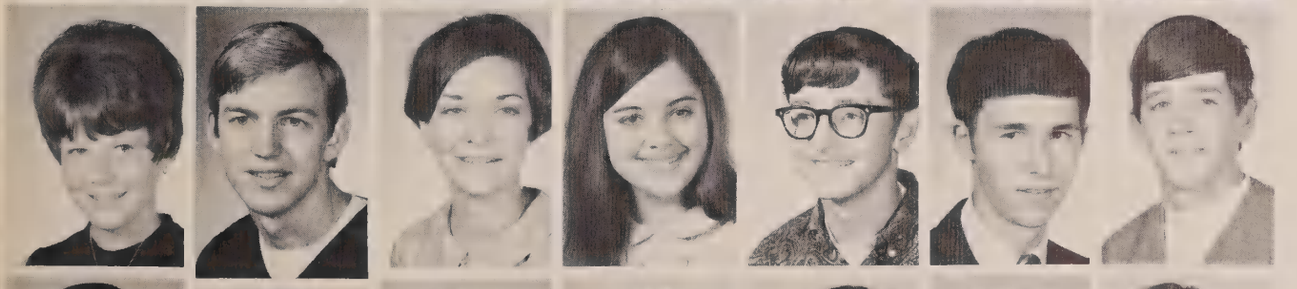

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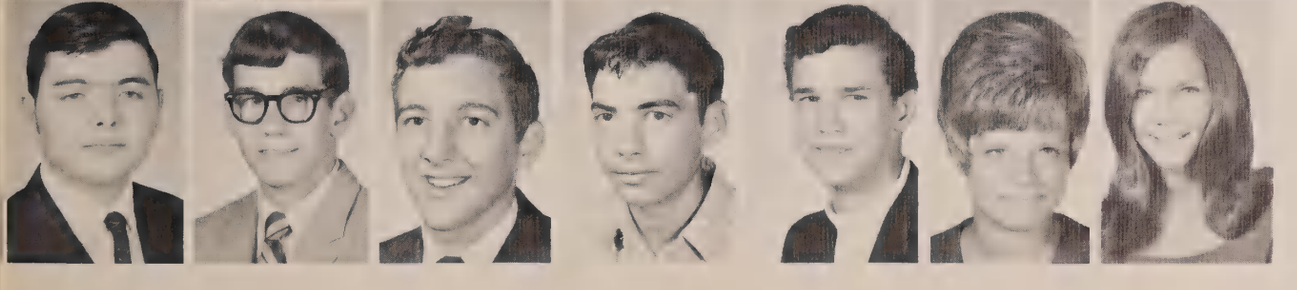

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Doyle Newhouse
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Nancie Nieman

Classes swing with lively juniors

Debbie Reazin presents the strip tease phase of the "Roaring 20's" for the combined American history-English III class.

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Patricia Nixon
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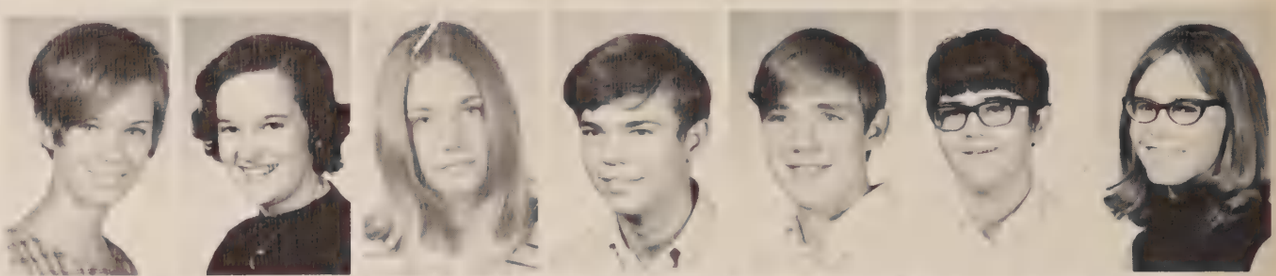

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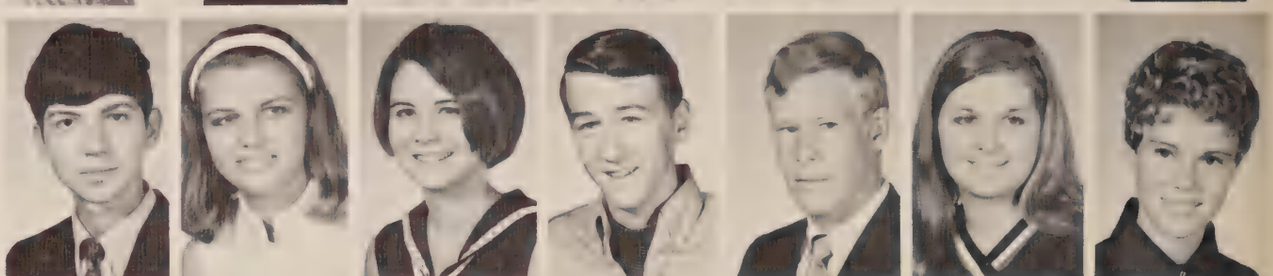

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Brenda Pike
Gary Pike
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Becky Pind
Lynn Pohl
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Susan Pope
Janis Porter
Rick Pratt
Gail Prettyman

Linda Price
Mike Pursell
Valorie Putnam
Debbie Quigley
Donna Quigley
Robbi Ragland
William Rankin

Denise Rauscher
Mary Rawson
Dennis Ray
Debbie Reazin
Diane Rebel
Jane Reed
Tim Reed

Barbara Reese
Glen Reeves
Linda Reifert
Ted Reimer
Randy Reust
Mike Reynolds
Pam Rhed

Leona Rice
Ruby Richey
Jeff Rider
Rodney Rider
Richard Ridge
Pat Ridgeway
Patrick Rieck

Martha Rigg
Kathy Rinehart
Florence Ristoff
Gregory Roberts
Sandy Roberts
Sandy Rodgers
Wade Rodman

Melissa Rogers
William Rogers
Michael Rohr
Beth Romig
Kathleen Rothberger
James Rumley
Cindy Rutherford

Barbara Sabol
Steve Saladino
Jane Saling
Jill Sampson
Mary Sanders
Stephen Sanstra
Allen Sargent

John Scavuzzo
Beth Schanck
Scott Scharhag
Stephen Schnare
Barry Schneider
Jim Schneider
Karin Scholdberg

Paulette Schultz
Pam Schupp
Linda Scott
Marcia Scott
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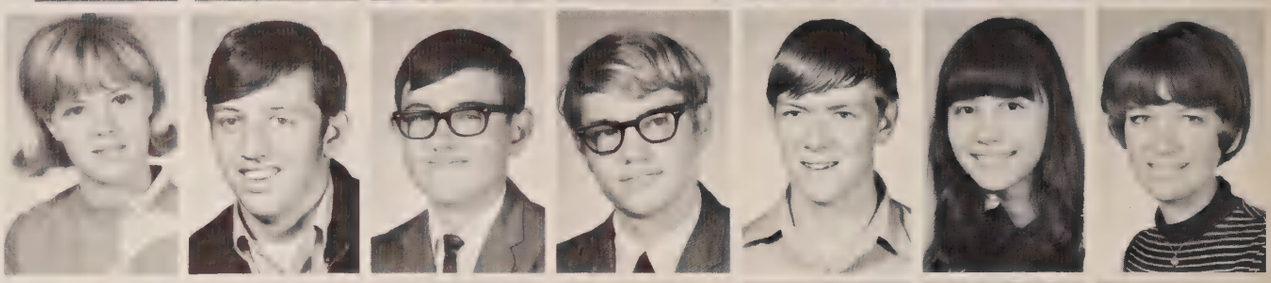

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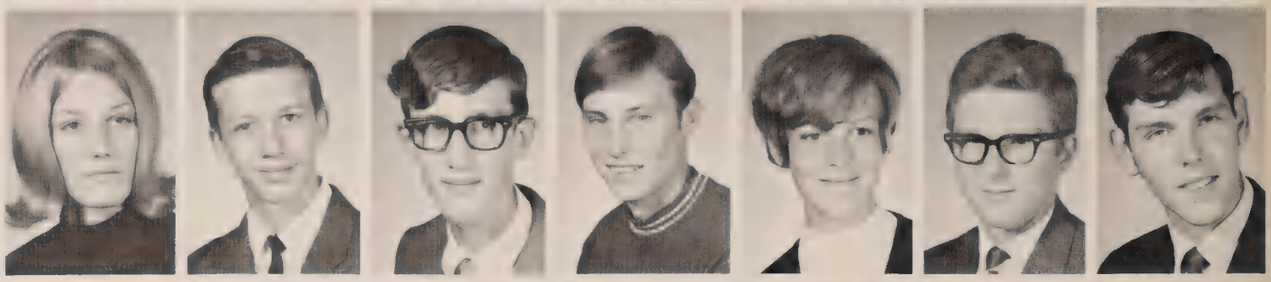

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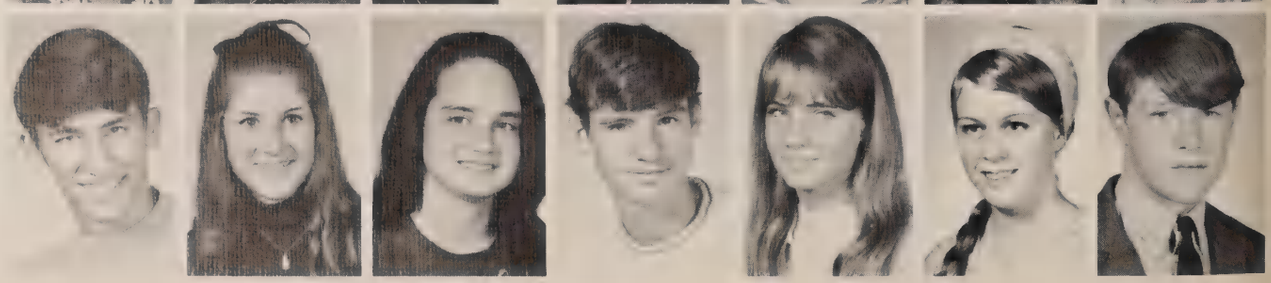

Surrounded by a framework of books, Pam Rhed skims the shelves for needed information.

Underclass look toward future

John Stewart
James Stickler
Garrold Stillman
David Stockwell
Glenn Stout
Gayle Stroh
Debbie Stumpf

Elaine Sudduth
Pamela Summers
Judith Suvanto
Janet Swanson
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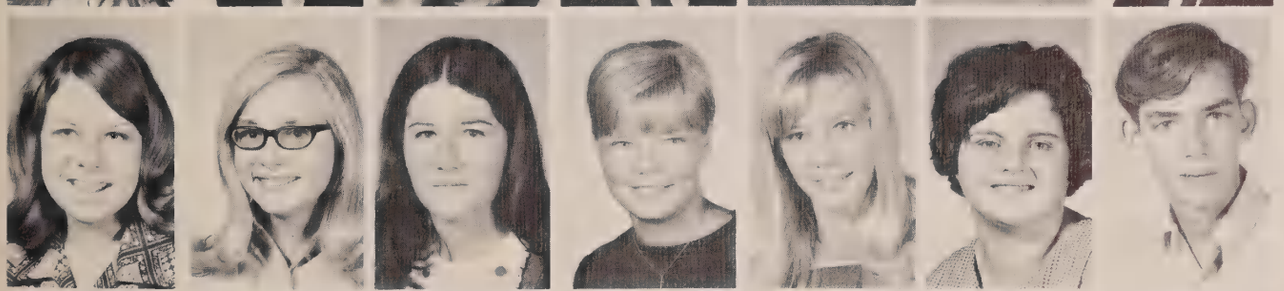

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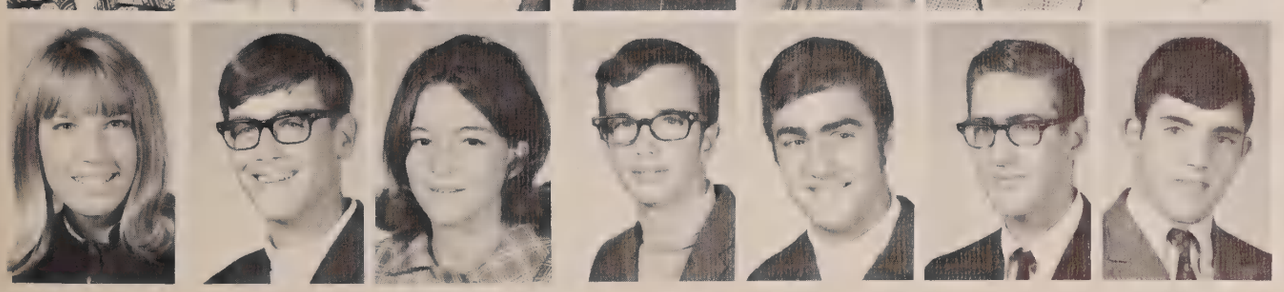

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Jay Tobin
Ramona Torrens
George Townsend
Phil Trecazzi
Michael Trotter
Richard Truesdale

Debra Truman
Bill Tucker
Steve Turner
Ed Turpin
Linda Tygart
Johnet Vande Wynkel
Kim VanRiper

Scott Van Riper
Marshall
Van Wormer
Eileen Vassmer
Nancy Vaughn
Janice Vogan
Rickey Vogel
Ray Vunovich

Kenneth Waas
Deborah Waddell
Thomas Wade
Timothy Walker
Edward Walsh
Richard Ward
Ronald Ware

Nancy Watkins
Mike Watts
Richard Waugh
Kenneth Way
Doug Weaver
Richard Weaver
Deborah Webber

Rick Webster
Debbi Weidman
Mark Weissenbach
Judith Welch
Linda Wellons
Neva Wendt
Nancy West

Glenda Wettstein
Tara Wheeler
Arlene Whiston
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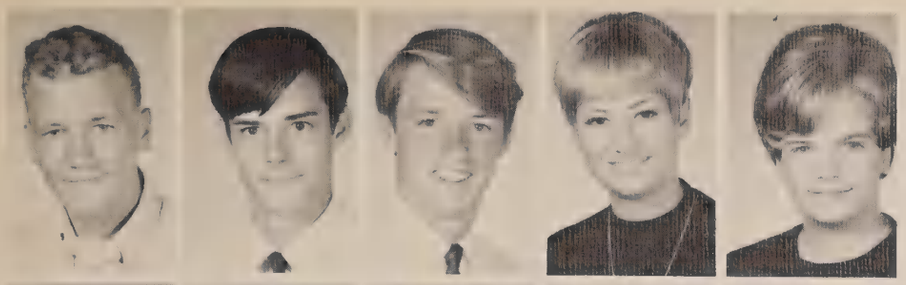

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Robin Willsie
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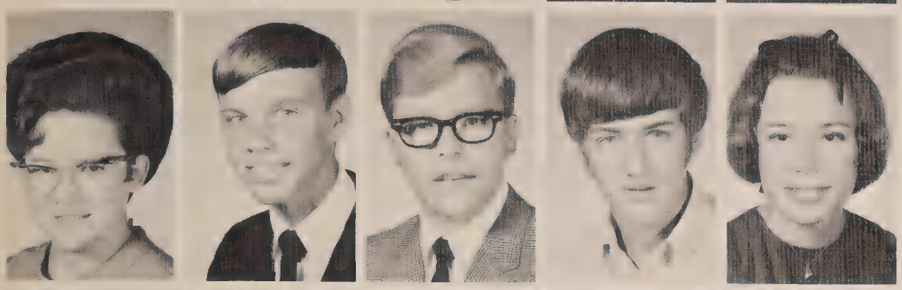

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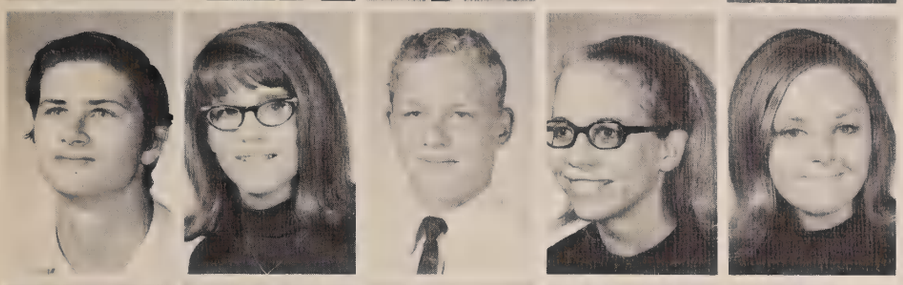

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Esther Wonderly
Patti Wood

Sandra Woodard
Susan Woods
Patty Woodson
Kevin Wray
John Wright

Don Yazell
Connie Zinn
Margaret Zipfel
Patricia Zumwalt
David Miller

Steve Billings prepares for the treacherous ride home at the end of a one-mod April Fool's Day.

Weather thwarts student activities

Sophomore class officers, Tom Hankins, President; Barb Baker, Secretary; Steve Rhodes, Treasurer; and Randy Moore, Vice-president take time out to meet on a free mod.

Sophs take steps to achieve class unity

Larry Acree
Janet Adair
Terry Adcock
Richard Adney
Dale Airey
Carol Alban
Connie Allee

Nina Allen
Vickie Allen
Randall Allman
Cathi Alsbury
Jerry Anderson
Mike Anderson
Shirley Anderson

Steve Andrews
Melva Arney
Warren Ashfore
Nedra Askins
Vickie Auch
Mark Babb
Gail Backhus

Randy Baehr
Shayne Baggs
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Dorothy Baker

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Larry Baldwin
David Banks
Linda Barker
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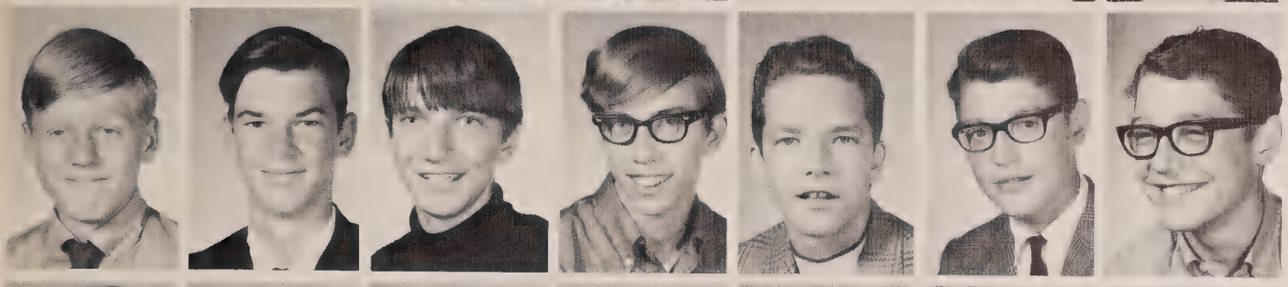

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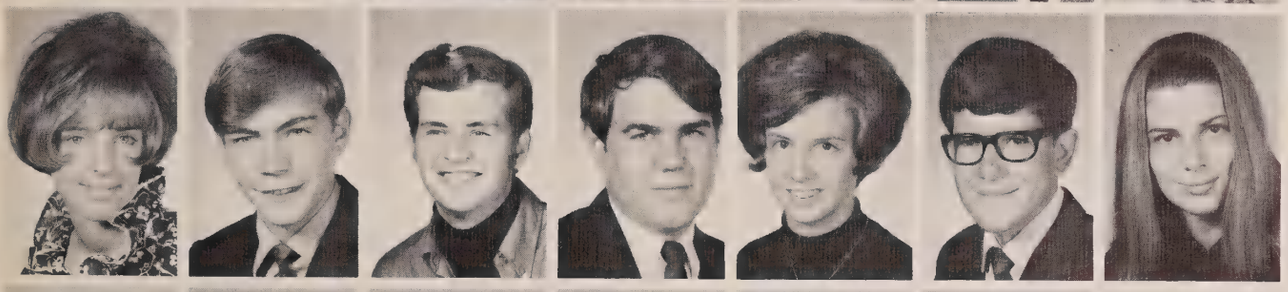
Rodger Barnes
Jeff Barnett
Steve Barquist
Bill Battles
Bob Baugher
Charles Baugher



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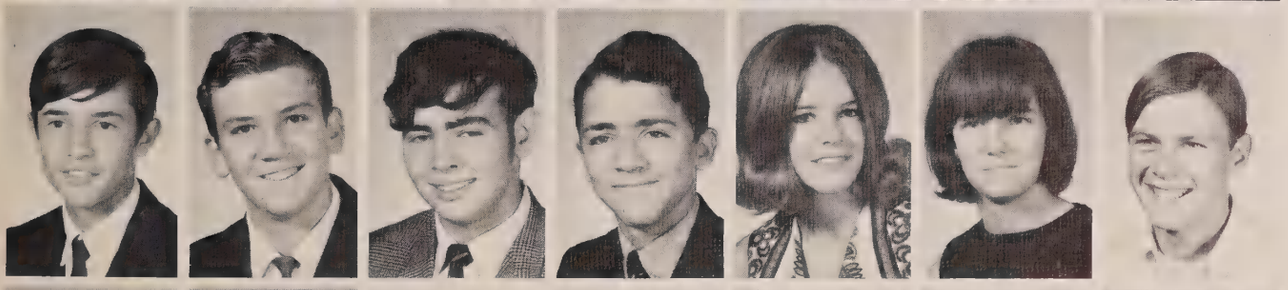

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Bill Becker
Dave Behrens
John Benenate
Sharon Benneson
Marilyn Benson
John Berbert

Barry Beresik
Dorothy Berry
Danny Bevan
Barbara Biggerstaff
Mark Biondi
Christi Bird
Scott Black

Jeannie Blackmore
Ricky Bledsoe
Joyce Bleich
Deborah Bolin
Beth Bolten
Patty Bond
Tony Bongiovanni

Donna Boone
Kelly Boston
Larry Boucher
Susan Bourne
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Mike Brasel
Teri Bratton
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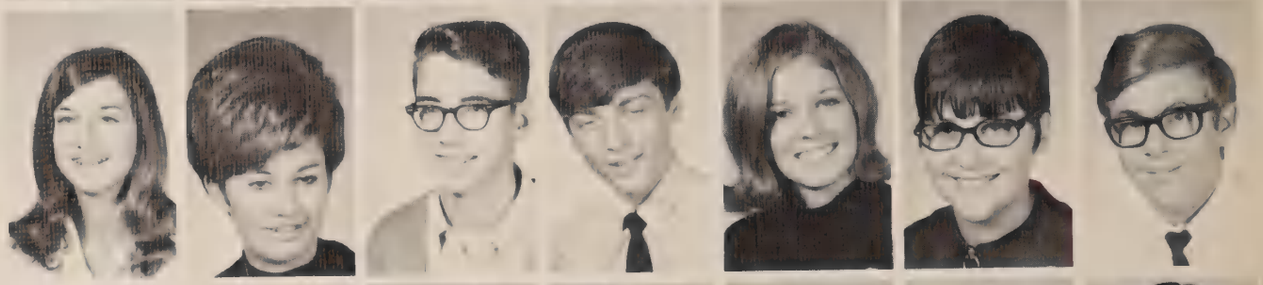
Larry Brewer



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Donnita Bridegan
Alexis Broadbent
Bradley Broadbent
Anne Brooks
Raeanne Brough
Suanne Brower

Gary Brown
John Brown
Judy Brucker
Melody Buchan
Kevan Buchanan
Harold Buckley
Susan Buckley

Mary Bukaty
Steve Bullard
Tim Burge
Roger Burger
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Vince Cammisano
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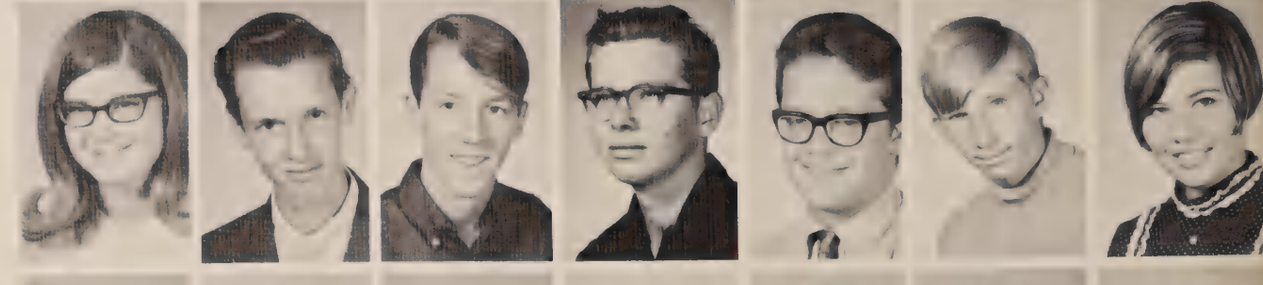

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Dennis Carroll
Gary Carter
Cathy Carver
Charles Case
Paul Casey
Steve Cassity

Gail Castellani
Terry Chambers
Eddie Chandler
Glenda Chaney
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Joseph Cirlinchuina

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Darlene Clark
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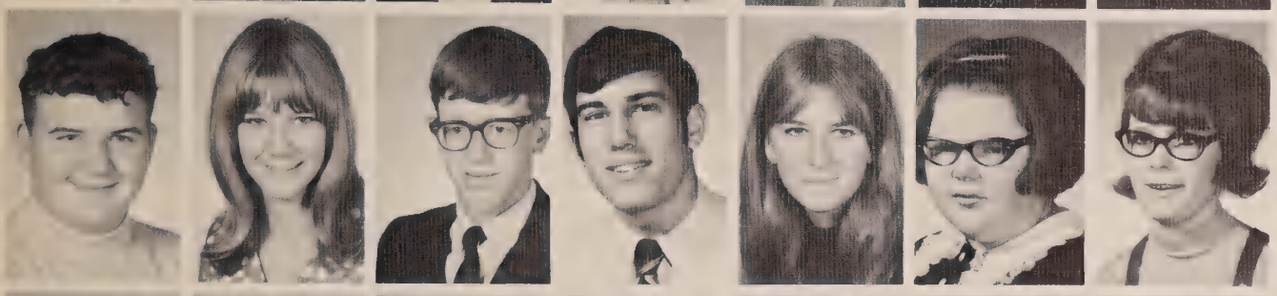

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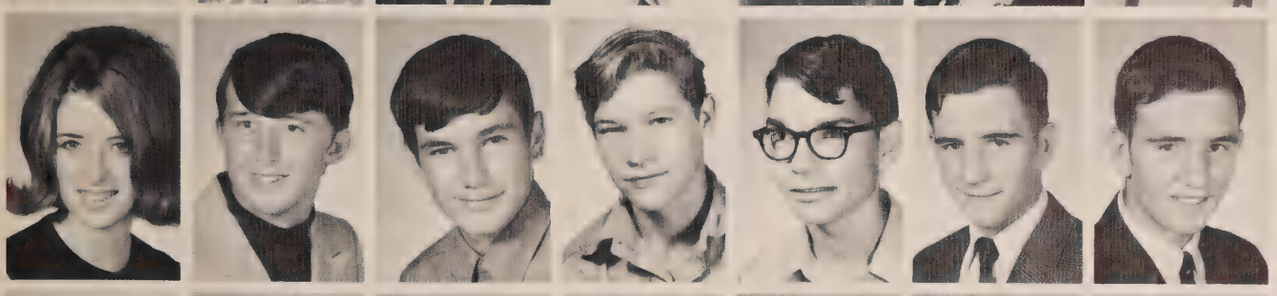

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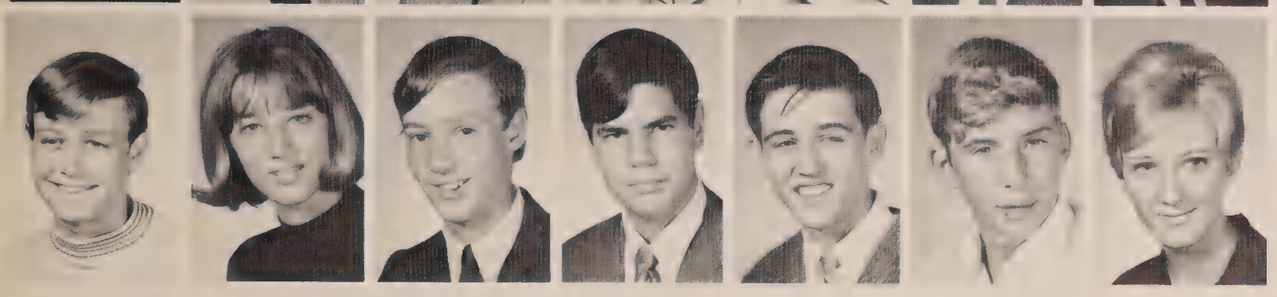


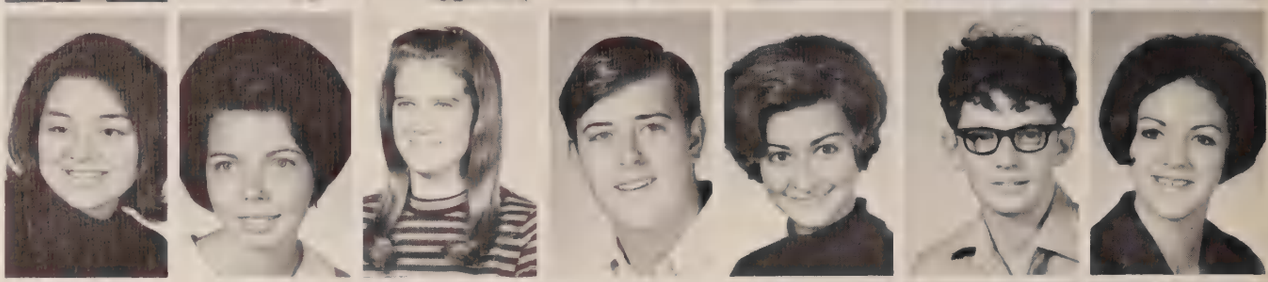
Jack Coppage
Janet Cornelison
Mick Cossairt
Charles Coughlin
Danny Cowden
David Cox
Rosanna Cox

Two frost bitten sophs wander aimlessly around the building searching for bus number 46.

New surroundings challenge sophs

Sandy Cox
Danny Crabtree
Mic Craft
Danny Craig
Martin Cramer
Jana Creason
Christy Creviston

Dixie Crispin
Mary Cronin
Trudy Cross
John Crossno
Carol Cummings
Mark Cummings
Cathy Cunneen



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Daryl Currence
Deborah Cusic
Barbara Dahlquist
Richard Dallas
Teresa Dalley
Bill Dalton

Leda Daniels
Randy Davenport
Deborah Davidson
Doug Davis
Joe Davis
Marian Davis
Marilyn Davis

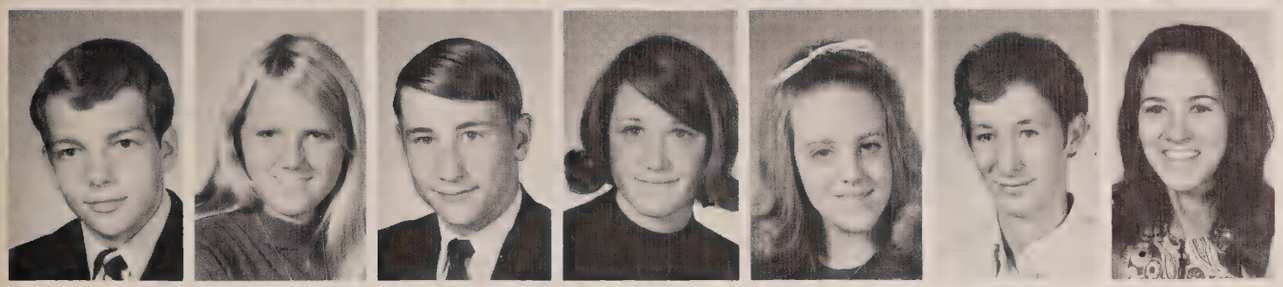
Pat Davis
Donna Day
Suzanne DeCanniere
Paul Degenhardt
Paul Delisle
Annette Deml
Diane Dickerson

Sophomore Steve Elliott shoulders his responsibility as a member of the varsity basketball team.

Sophomores compete with alacrity

Ruth Dieckman
Harold Dinsmore
Jerry Disharoon
Diana Disselhoff
Mike Dobbelaere
Danny Dobbins
Duane Dodson

Edward Doering
Blaine Dome
Susan Donahoe
David Doss
Ellen Douglas
Carol Dramann
Linda Draper



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Georganne Duncan
Kent Duncan
Nancy Duncan
Jill Dunham
Robert Dunn
Deborah Durham

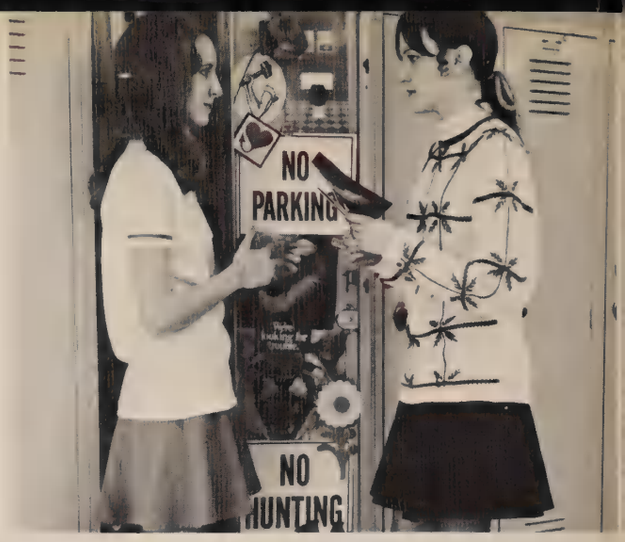
Dean Dwerlkotte
Doug Dye
Karen Dye
Rick Eastin
Craig Eckhart
Mike Eckley
Steve Edlin

James Edwards
Lynn Edwards
Margo Edwards
Pam Edwards
Teresa Edwards
Chris Ehlers
William Ehrdhardt

Becky Elder
Les Ellerman
Robin Elliott
Steve Elliott
Kay Epley
Daniel Euritt
Cinda Evans

Jim Evans
Joan Everhard
John Fanska
Susan Farris
Susie Ferrell
Ann Fetterling
Don Fickel

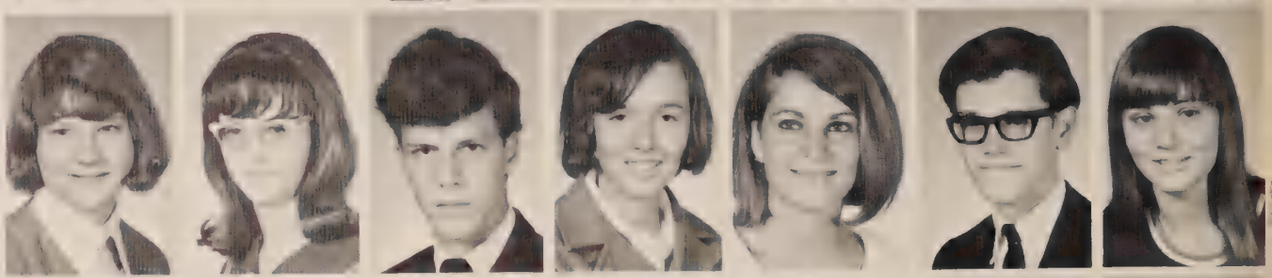
Originality glows in underclassmen



Joyce Bleich and Jana Creason discuss an addition to their unique locker.

Chris Fickling
Stan Fields
Steve Fields
John Finch
Sheryl Fishbaugh
Sandra Fischer
Paula Flack

Renee Flippen
Sheila Foley
Marvin Foltz
Evelyn Ford
Ester Foster
Robert Foster
Susan Foster



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Janice Frey
Dennis Fry
Diane Fry
Mark Frye

Paula Fulks
Kathy Fuller
Tom Fuller
Brenda Gagnebin
Nancy Gall
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Roger Gallup

Jeanne Gardner
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Marsha Geest
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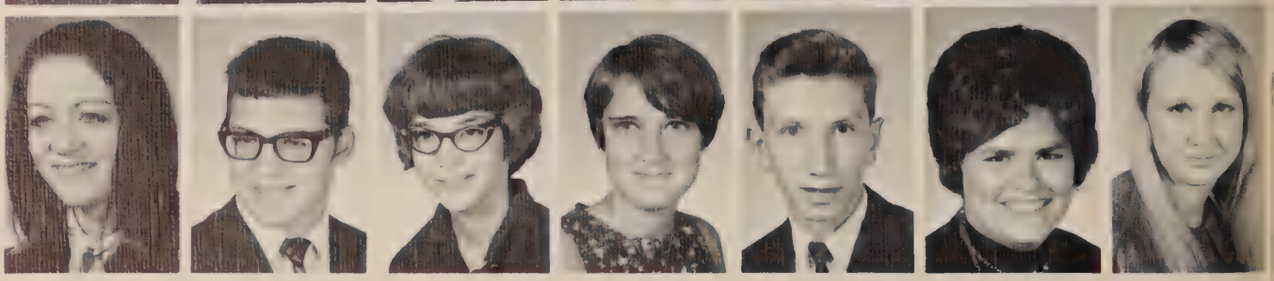

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Chris Godfrey

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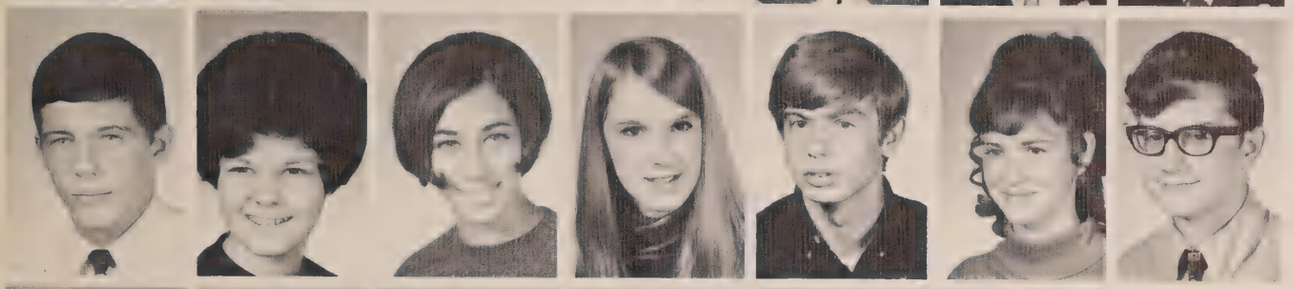

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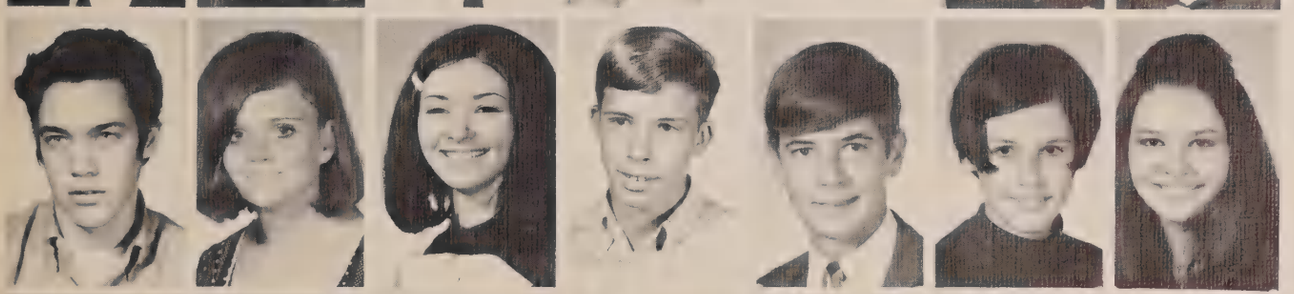

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Beth Harman

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Karen Harris
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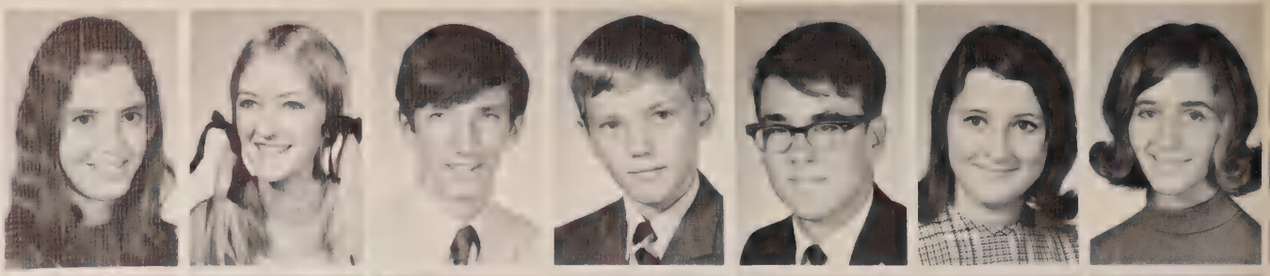

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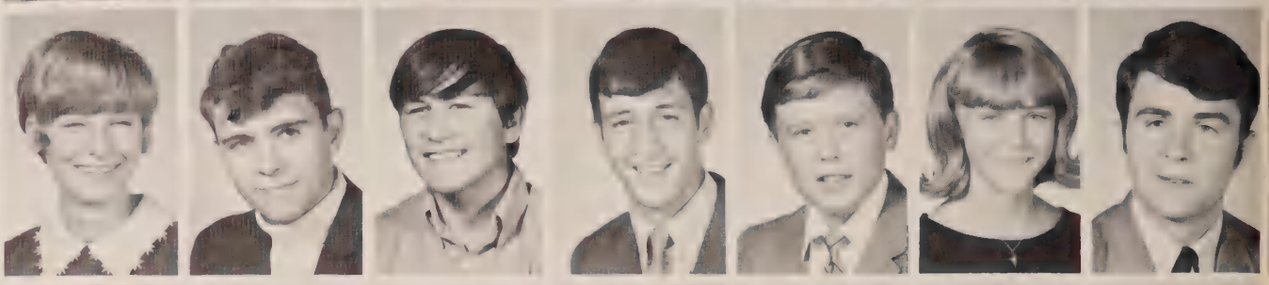

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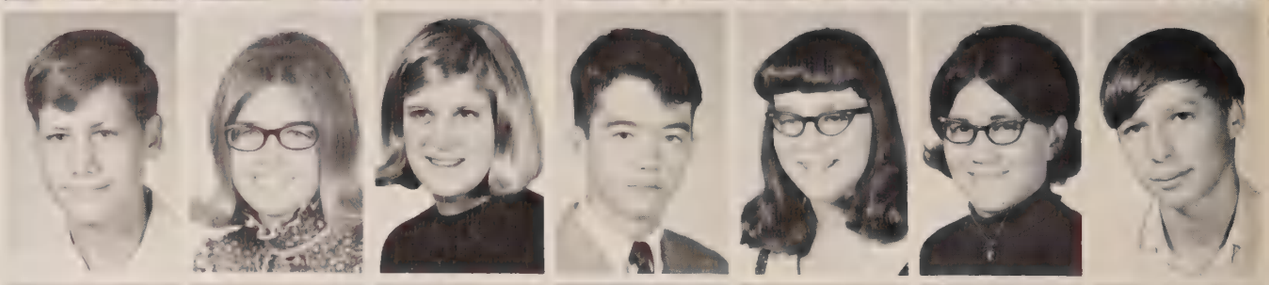

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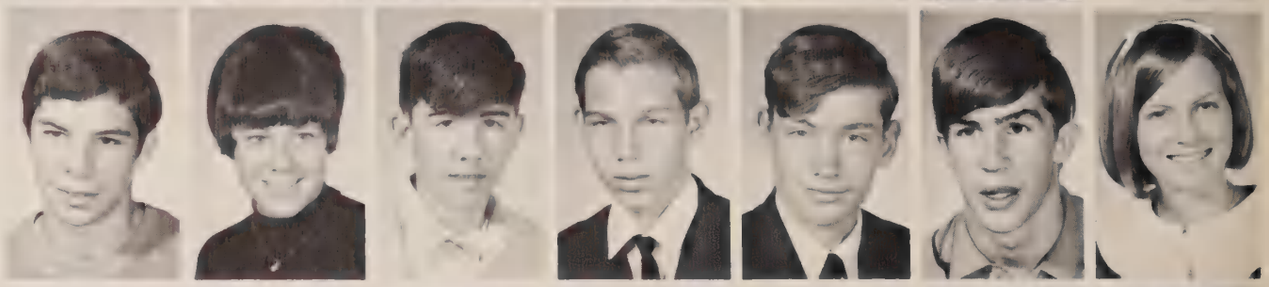

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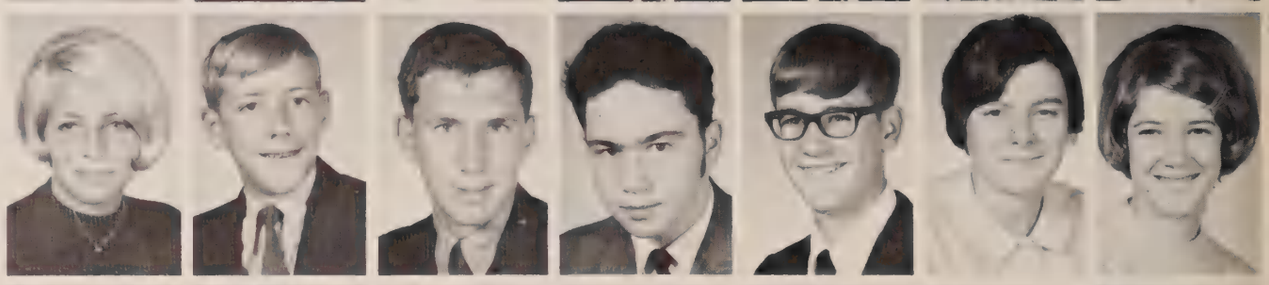

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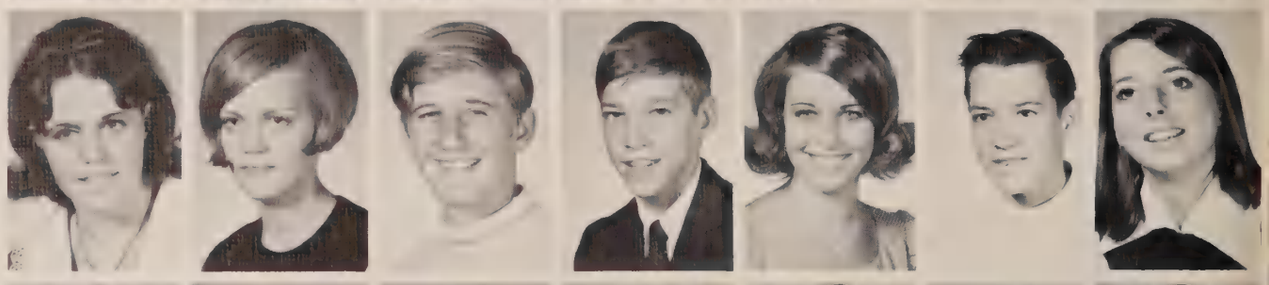

Connie Hubbs
Mike Huck
Ronald Huffman
Sally Hughes
Karen Hummel
Janel Hunt
Brenda Husong

Joe Kenley and Toni Bongiovanni relax during a free mod.

Sophomores embark on social encounters

Patricia Hyde
Sonny Hylton
Brenda Ibarra
David Ingram
Jonathan Inman
David Jackson
Kathy Jansen

Deborah Jennings
Sarah Jewell
Arla Johnson
Darlene Johnson
Laurie Johnson
Linda Johnson
Roger Johnson

Tom Johnson
Ken Jones
Terry Jones
Wayne Jones
Steve Jourdan
Donna Judd
Paula Kadera

Danny Kaighen
Dan Karr
Kevin Keith
Steve Kelly
Joe Kenley
John Kennedy
Roberta Kenney

John Kerr
Robin Kidwell
Lori Kiefer
Debra Kimmel
Mike Kinate
Ellen King
Kay King

Larry King
Karen Kirgis
Janice Kistner
Don Kitchen
Mike Kline
Karen Klingston
Laura Knapp

Diana Knoll
Kenneth Kraft
Brenda Krager
Candace Krause
Dan Krenkel
Donald Krueger
Robert Kuenzi

Stan Kumer
Laura Lakin
Lisa Lamansk
Dianne Lamping
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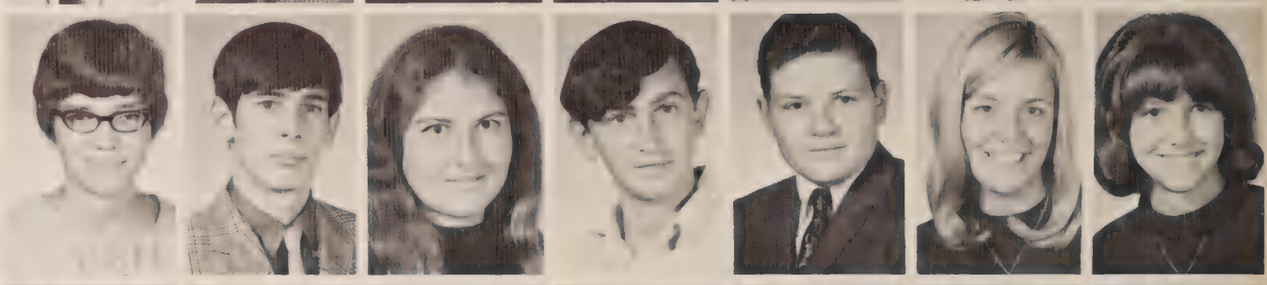

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Roberta Lewis
Sharon Lewis

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Vernon Mackey
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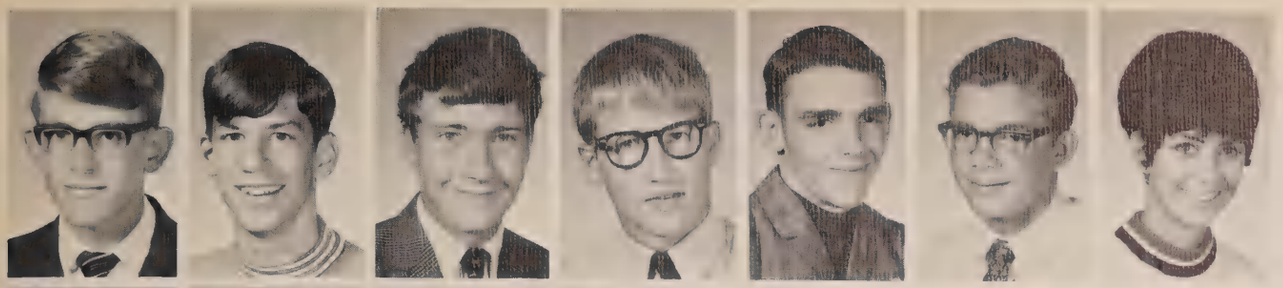

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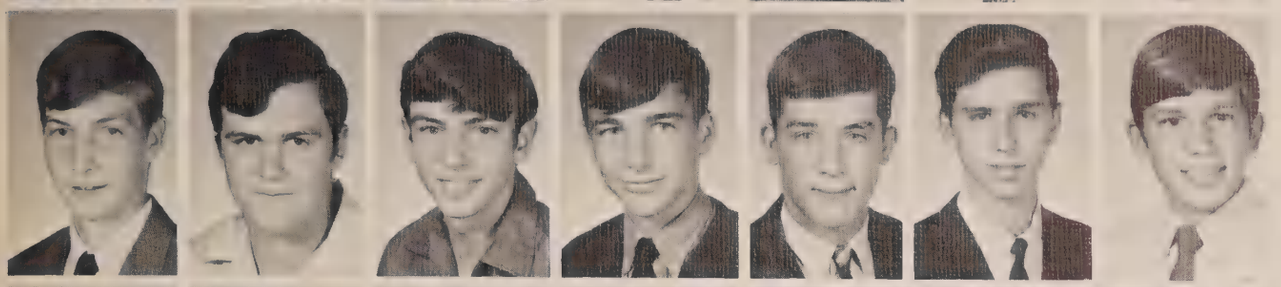

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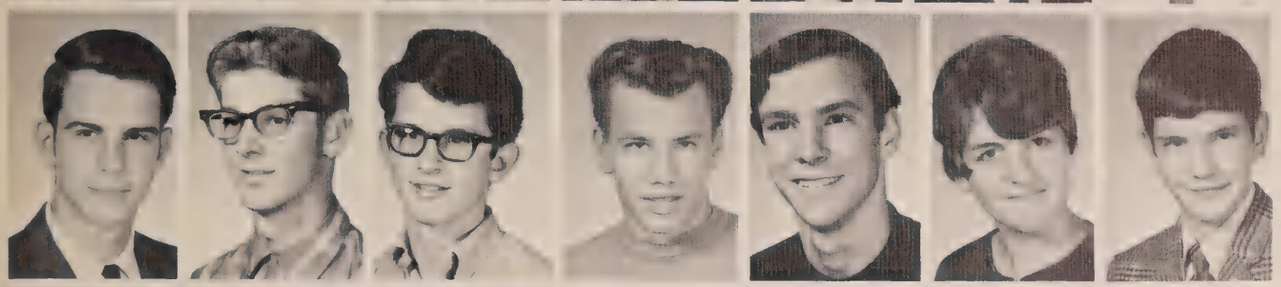
Ace Martin
Roger Martin
Don Mason



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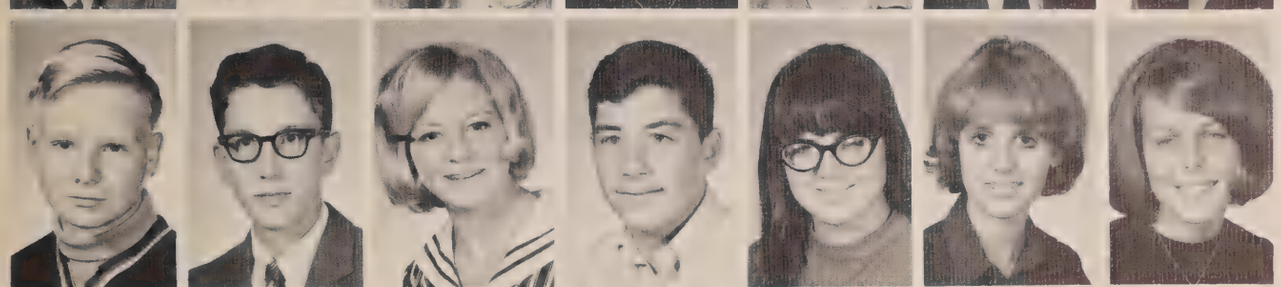


Jerry McCullom
Steve McDaniel
Sandy McDonald
Jerry McKinney
Teresa McLaughlin
Holly McMichael
Debbie McNabb

Debbie Phillips and Melinda Penrod devote precious spare time towards beautification of their school.

Concerned sophs lend to school improvement

Wayne McNabb
Irma McQueen
David Meade
Rebecca Meinking
Nancy Merrill
Stephen Meyer
Cynthia Milbourn

Dave Miller
Gary Miller
Jackie Miller
Linda Miller
Sharon Miller
Stephen Miller
Bob Millsap

Debra Miner
Gary Minor
Linda Minor
Susan Mitchell
Susan Mitchell
James Mohling
Brenda Moore

Laura Moore
Patricia Moore
Randy Moore
Vickie Moore
Debora Morgan
Marsha Morgan
Craig Morris

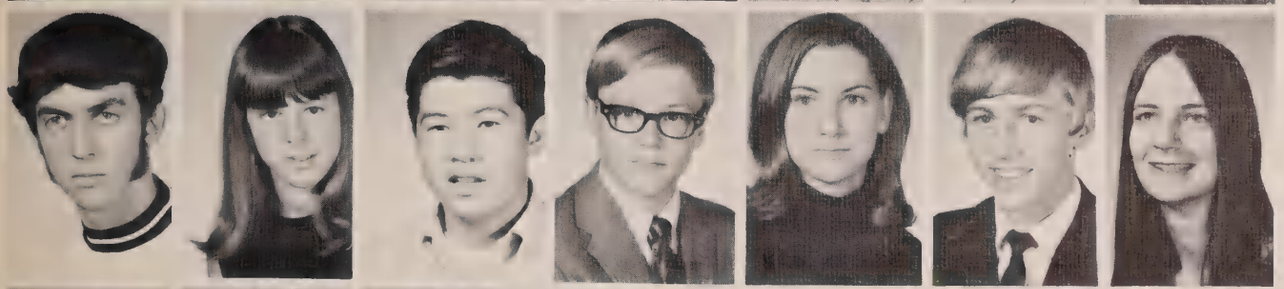
James Morris
Marilyn Morris
Stephen Morris
Kathy Morrow
Mike Moss
Sally Mott
Sharon Moyer

Pam Flood, Debbie Nauman, Kathy Musick, and Kathy Jansen cover up their varied emotions toward the action on the field.

Spirit warms youngest class

Jim Mozina
Mike Murman
Colleen Murphy
Deborah Murphy
Cindy Murphy
Kathy Musick
Jerry Narron

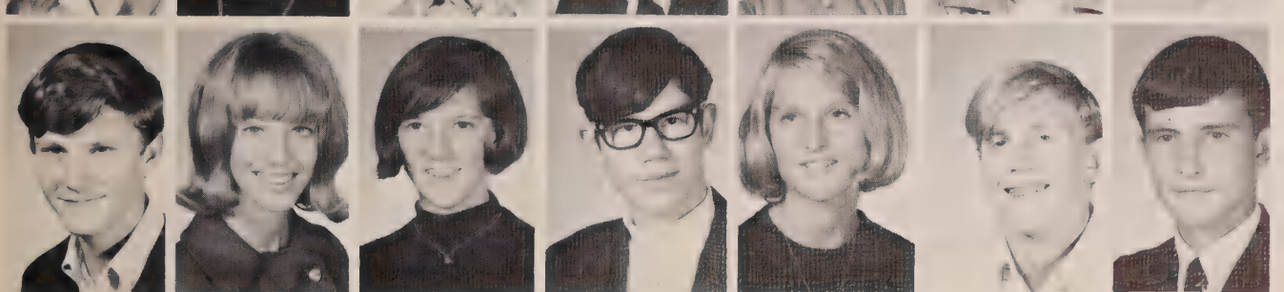
Debbie Nauman
Debbie Neal
Sharon Neel
Debby Nelson
Jack Nelson
David Nevins
Teri New



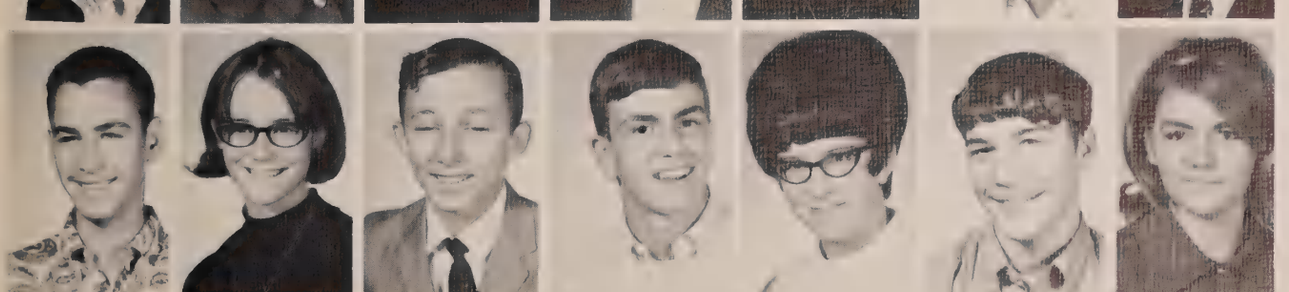
Rick Newton
Gerre Noble
Leroy Noble
Andris Norgergs
Shelley Nugent
Mike Nye
Linda O'Conner

Mike O'Conner
Bruce Ogden
Carol Oliver
Sheryl Osborn
David Osburn
Bill O'Toole
Larry Page

Amy Painter
Debra Painter
Donna Palermo
Mike Panus
Linda Parsley
Billy Patrick
Dave Pearce



Larry Peck
Melinda Penrod
Joanne Perry
Bob Peterson
Margie Petroll
Mark Pettibone
Jim Pfankuch

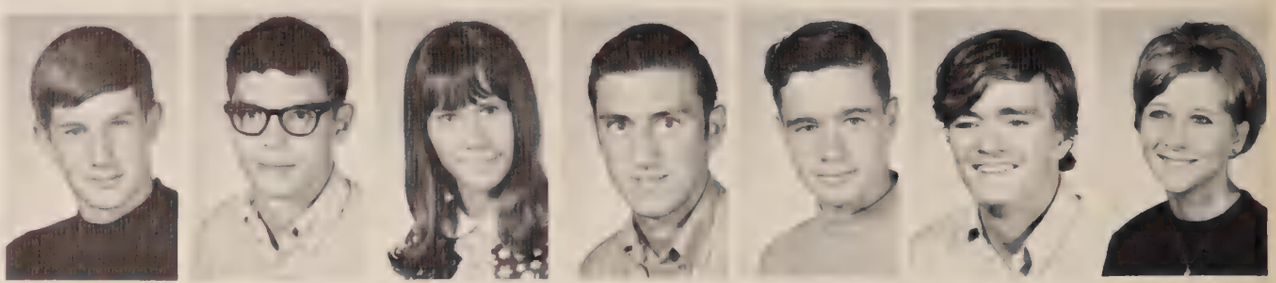


Francis Phillip
Debbie Phillips
Jim Phillips
Robert Phillips
Rebecca Pickett
Greg Pierjok
Cheryl Pike

Rest replaces sophomore rush

Daryl Currence models for the hereafter atop a Roman bier.

Chris Pitre
Dave Pittinger
Mary Ply
Ken Porter
Richard Porter
Bob Powell
Marcia Powell



Patsy Powers
Paul Prosser
John Putnam
Kay Putnam
Mike Raby
Derk Ralls
Jeanette Ramirez

Sharon Ramsey
Roland Randolph
Danny Rapp
John Reaves
Debbie Redman
Clark Reed
David Reed

Mike Reeder
Pat Reeder
John Reid
Elaine Reinhardt
Brent Reinschmidt
Mark Revenaugh
Dennis Reynolds

Karen Reynolds
Robert Reynolds
Walt Reynolds
Steve Rhodes
Robert Rice
Deborah Richardson
Rose Richardson

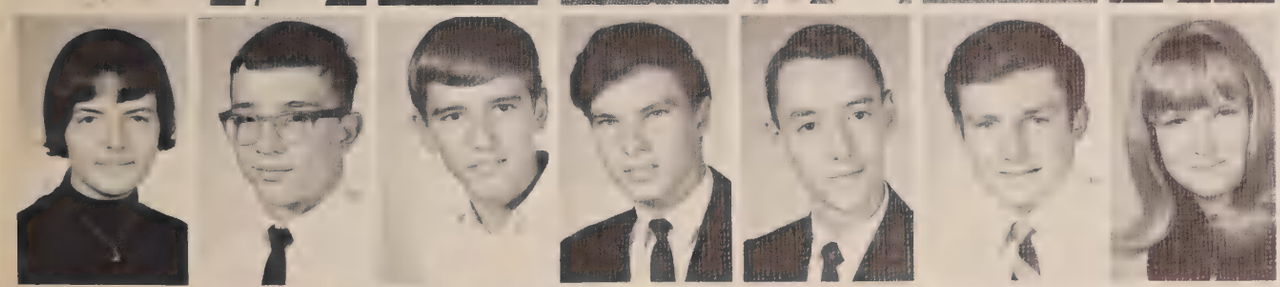
Lola Ricketts
Ethel Rigdon
Rebecca Rinehart
Bette Ristoff
Mike Ritsema
Scott Ritzinger
Robert Robb

Raymond Robbins
Cheryl Roberts
Linda Roberts
Paula Roberts
Berry Robertson
Larry Robertson
Linda Robertson

Richardson Robertson
Mike Rodman
Deborah Roe
Melinda Rogers
Beth Rooney
Richard Roschke
Beth Rose

Debbie Rose
Richard Rose
Sheila Rosebaugh
Cynthia Roseler
Pam Rothberger
Becky Rucker
Linda Rumley

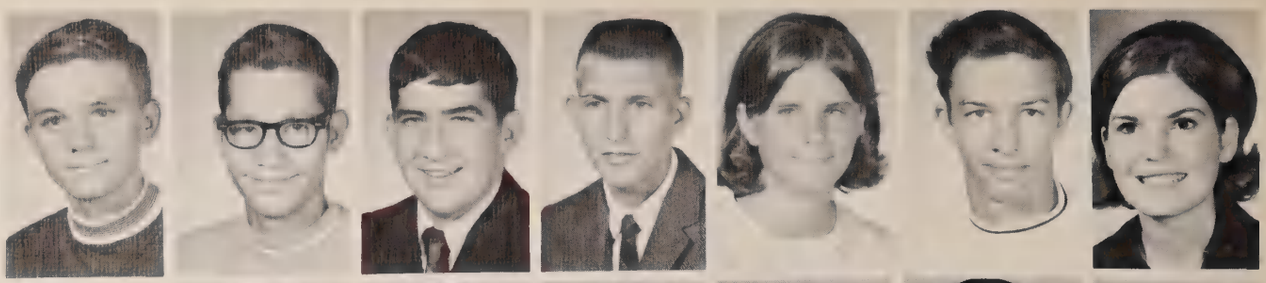
Paul Ruona
Pam Rutter
Mary Ryczek
Diane Sanders
Cheryl Sandstrom
Steve Sandy
Paula Satterfield



Vickie Sausser
Mike Schaefer
Tucker Schaeffer
Dom Schapeler
Brian Schmidt
Ray Schneegass
Peggy Schneweis

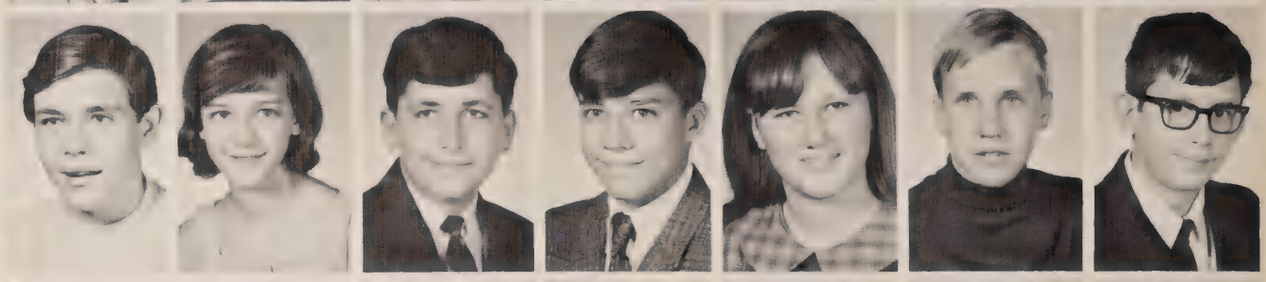
Peter Schultz
Wanda Scoggins
Darlene Scott
Debbie Scott
Harriett Scrutchfield
Bernard Seals
Keith Seals

Paul Seider
Steven Sevedge
Mark Sewell
Robert Sharp
Susan Shawver
Tom Shehorn
Jo Rita Shepherd



Karl Sherbo
Karen Sherer
Gene Sheridan
Virginia Shomer
Jeri Sidden
David Silvey
Roy Simpson

Gary Sirna
Elizabeth Sluter
Mark Smelcer
Brian Smith
Deborah Smith
Gregg Smith
Stephen Smith

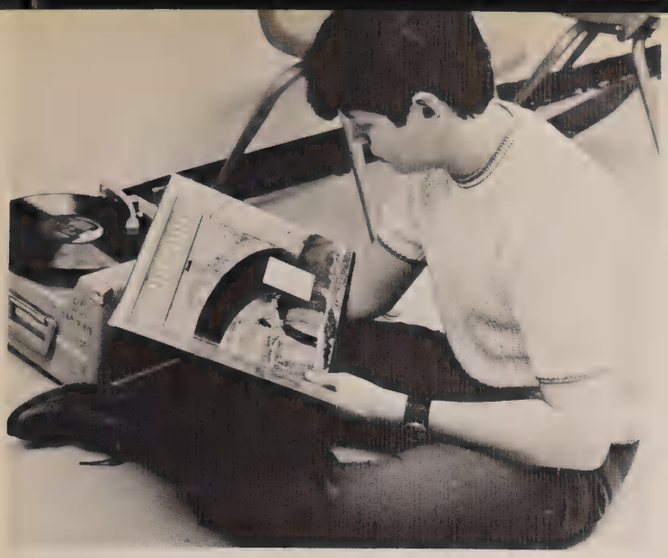


Kendra Snyder
Diana Spicer
Bill Spiker
Reid Spragg
Kerry Srack
Sheri Stamper
Gayle Standridge

Mary Stapp
Jackie Steginк
Connie Steitz
Richard Sterling
Candi Stevenson
Joseph Stewart
Nancy Stewart

Robert Stillman
Charlene Stone
David Stout
Chris Summers
Mike Summers
Ralph Summers
Kenneth Suvanto

Sam Sweeney
Henry Swenter
Bobby Swicegood
Janice Swick
Gary Talbott
Bill Tate
Janice Taylor



Attentively listening to one of the many Beatle albums, Gary Miller examines their picturesque cover.

Sophomores develop educational skills

Phyllis Thackery
David Thomas
James Thomas
Pennie Thomas
Bob Thompson
Pam Thompson
Philip Thompson

Valerie Thompson
Debbie Thronberry
Marsha Thornton
Sheryl Tierney
Estelle Timmons
Don Treichel
Kathy Trimble

David Trotter
Dorsen Troutman
Robin Troutz
Ricky Turner
Trent Twistmeyer
Leigh Unnerstall
Norman VanBebber

Robert Vanderford
Wayne Vanderford
Chris Vaughan
Richard Vaughan
Kathy Volz
Mark Voyce
Richard Voyles

Darrell Waas
Eric Wadman
Janet Walker
Kathy Walker
Larry Walker
Paula Walker
Lynn Walsh

Debbie Walters
Becky Ward
Vicki Ward
Deborah Warrens
Stanley Watson
Yvonne Watson

Jack Webb
Kimberly Webb
Ellis Webster
Jerry Wehling
Patsy Welch
Charlie Weldon

Julie Wells
Gaye West
Michael West
Michelle West
Sandra West
Dianna Wheeler

Judy Wheeler
Patricia Whimley
Karen Whitson
Evelyn White
Mike Whitt
Mike Wiederstein

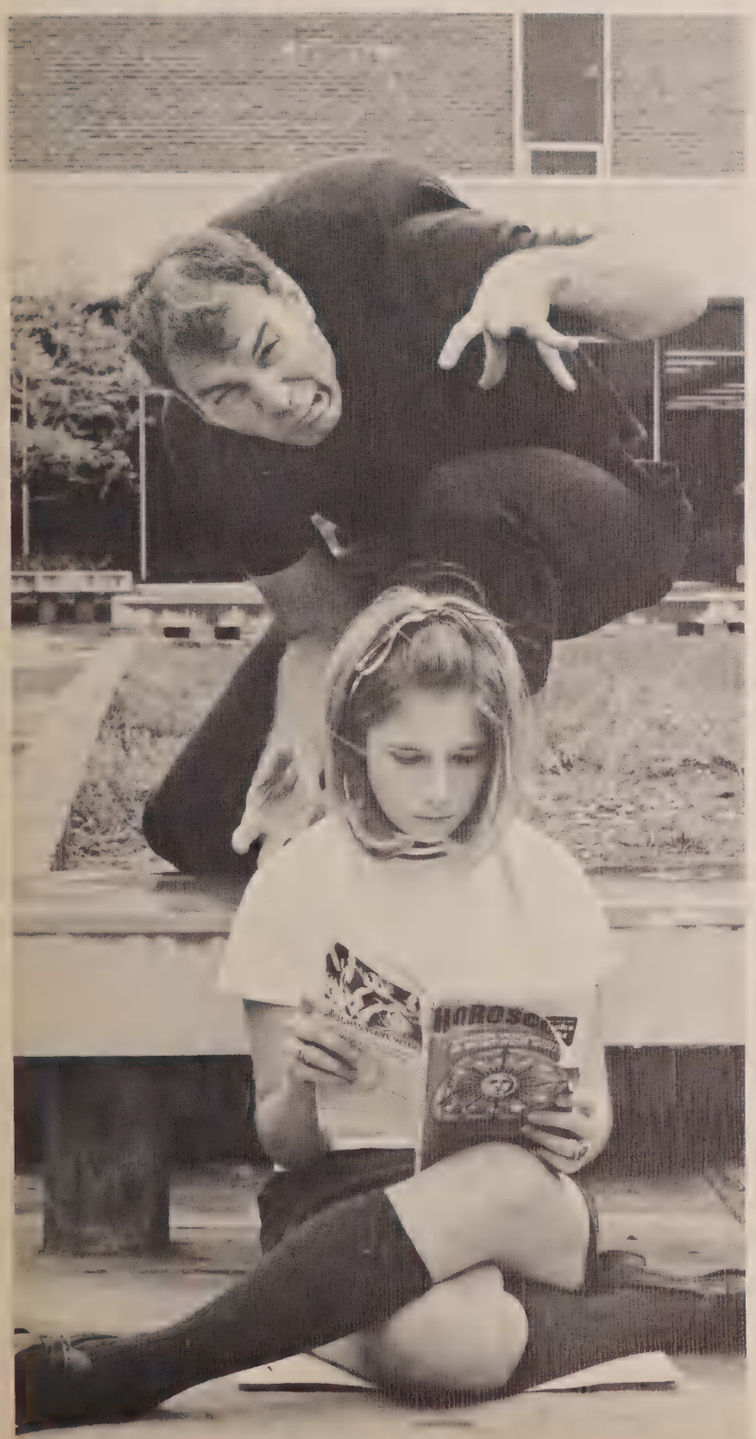
Cheryl Wiesner
John Wildman
Nancee Wilk
Bradford Williams
Gary Williams
Kenneth Williams

Sharon Williams
Suellen Williams
Derrick Willis
Erik Willis
Grace Willis
Ronald Willsie

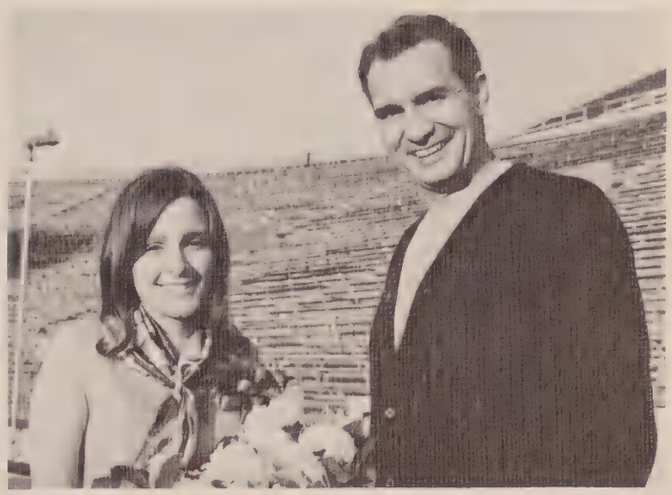
Brian Wilson
Deborah Wilson
Joy Wilson
Wayne Winn
Kerry Winters
Gary Wohlgemuth

Barbara Wolf
Marcia Wolf
Paul Wonderly
Duane Wormington
Debra Wyant

Steven York
Cynthia Zeller
Toni Zeto
Linda Zuniga
Charles Zych



Administrator claims variety of faces



Dr. Dan Kahler prepares to pounce on an unwary student, Kris Hochenauer, while at right, on the lighter side of Dr. Jekyll, Mr. Hyde personality, he converses with former student, Nancy Watson, K.U. Homecoming Queen Princess.

Becky Adams — Pep Club, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Vicky Adams—Pep Club, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Doug Airey—Football, Wrestling
Jenny Alban—German Club, Pep Club, AFS Club
Cheryl Albin—Pep Club, Spanish Club Treasurer, Tri-M Treasurer, Pit Orchestra for "Music Man" and "Oklahoma" Pop Orchestra
Eva Allen—Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society, GAA, Tri-M, Treblettes, Oak Street Singers, Modern Dance Club, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Missouri Curator's Scholarship, Academic Scholarship to Central Methodist College
Jane Allen—Art Club, Student Council
Paula Allumbaugh—Orchestra, Pep Club
Jane Amos—Artwork Bronze Medal
Becky Anderson—Pep Club, Pom Pon, A Cappella, Blue Spotlights, Winter Sports Queen Attendant, "Carousel", "Music Man", Dancer in "Oklahoma"
John Anderton—Degree of Merit in NFL
Joe Andrews—Student Council, Spanish National Honor Society, OPHS Club, Lettermen's Club, Basketball
Gail Arenson—AFS Club, Pep Club, Blue Spotlights, Grin-In, Varsity Cheerleader, Homecoming Attendant
Kay Armstrong—Pep Club, Student Council, Junior Class Grin-In, Blue Spotlights
Beanie Asby—Pep Club, Grin-In, Varsity Cheerleader, Winter Sports Queen Attendant
Dave Asby—"Critic's Choice", "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", "Three in the Round", Blue Spotlights, Thespians, Best Supporting Actor 1968-69, Band
Tom Atkins—German Club, Pep Band, Marching Band, Pit Orchestra for "Carousel", "Music Man", and "Oklahoma"
Rick Baehr—Football to Wichita State University, Mr. Football
Kathy Bailey—German Club, French Club, Pep Club, Coed Volleyball, "Oklahoma",
Cathi Baker—Special Award to NWMS at Maryville
Tom Baker—Football, Golf, Lettermen's Club
Joe Barnes—Track, Cross Country, Lettermen's Club, Log Staff
Sandy Bauman—Thespians, Drama Club, Best Technical Newcomer
Jack Beers—Student Council President, Junior Class Vice-President, Sophomore Class Vice-President, Boy's State, Tennis, Categories, Spanish Club, NFL Degree of Honor, Log Staff, Lettermen's Club, AFS Club, Chess Club, Junior Achievement President of the Year in K. C. Area, National Merit Letter of Commendation, Missouri Curator's Scholarship, Junior Achievement Scholarship, American Chemical Society Award
Jerry Bell—Norman Northman, A Cappella Co-President, Bel Cantos, Pop Group, Madrigal, Thespians, "Barefoot in the Park", "Three in the Round", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Grin-In, Blue Spotlights, Track, Gymnastics Team, Marching Band, Concert Band, Best Supporting Actor
David Bird—Intramurals, German Club, Chess Club, Tri-M, Pep Band, Chamber Orchestra
Mike Blackmore—Lettermen's Club, Wrestling, Football
Becky Bradley—Art Club, AFS Club, German Club, Pep Club, "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Bill Brandom—Student Council, Blue Spotlights—first prize, Oak Park Avon Advisory Panel Chairman, Oak Street Singers
Ann Breckenridge—Pep Club, Junior and Senior Class Grin-In, Spanish Club, AFS Club, Blue Spotlights
Warren Brown—Baseball, Orchestra
Candy Burd—Pep Club, Junior Class Grin-In
Kathy Burns—GAA
Nancy Burwell—Pep Club
Billie Campbell—Pep Club
Reena Campbell—German Club, Pep Club, Student Council, Health Career Club President, "Barefoot in the Park", "Oklahoma"
Richard Carmack—Chess Club President, Cross Country
Victoria Carsten—Pep Club, German Club, Concert Band and Marching Band, "Music Man"
Allyson Cartmill—Pep Club, A Cappella, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Chris Casell—Intramurals
Sandy Casey—Pep Club, AFS Club, Spanish Club, "Oklahoma", Special Award to NWMS at Maryville
Peter Cerra—Key Club Vice-President
Stephanie Chambers—Pep Club
Larry Childers—Intramurals
Linda Christensen—Pep Club, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, AFS Club, Student Council
Bill Claussen—Intramurals
Connie Clemens—Pep Club, AFS Club, Student Council, Home Harvesters, Norma Northman, Homecoming Queen, Avon Advisory Panel, Good Grooming Winner, A Cappella
Marjorie Clinkingbeard—Pep Club
Karen Cochran—Pep Club
Mary Cook—Pep Club, German Club, Pep Band, Stage Band, A Cappella, Treblettes, Madrigal, Pit Orchestra, "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Special Award to NWMS at Maryville
Wayne Cope—Drama Club Vice-President, Thespian Vice-President, AFS Club, Log Staff, Blue Spotlights, "The Importance of Being Earnest", "Rebecca", "Carousel", "Critic's Choice", Stage Lighting Manager, "Stop the Stage, I Want to Get On", "Three in the Round", "Oklahoma", "Music Man", Best Technical Director, Best Thespian
Judy Corington—Blue Spotlights, AFS Club, Pep Club, French Club, "Oklahoma"
Tena Courter—A Cappella, Home Harvesters
Elaine Couture—Home Harvesters, GAA, Pep Club
Brenda Cox—French Club, Pop Orchestra, Pep Band, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", National School Orchestra Award
Cheryl Cox—Bel Cantos, Treblettes, Oak Street Singers, Home Harvesters, A Cappella
Nancy Crane—French Club Historian and Treasurer, Pep Club, Bannerette, AFS Club, German Club, French Club Scholarship
Pam Crawford—Drama Club, Thespians, Art Club, Pep Club, "Critic's Choice", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", "Barefoot in the Park", "This Property is Condemned", "Stop the Stage, I Want to Get On", Best Actress, Best Thespian Contribution
Vivian Crissman—French Club, Chess Club, Orchestra, Weather Club
Chris Cromwell—GAA, Treblettes, Madrigal, A Cappella, German Club, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Linda Crowder—Thespians, Drama Club
Jim Curtright—Football, Wrestling.
Kathy Cutting—A Cappella, GAA, Weather Club, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Glee Club
Randy Dameron—Wrestling, Gymnastics
Pat Daugherty—Pep Club, Art Club Vice-President, Scholastic Art Award Winner, Set Crew for "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Gold Pallet Art Award
Marlene Davidson—Pep Club, Home Harvesters
Dennis Davis—Chess Club, French Club, Art Club
Rhonda Davis—Pep Club, AFS Club
Susie Day—"Importance of Being Earnest", "Evening of Drama", "Critic's Choice", "Music Man", "Three in the Round", First in State in Humorous Drama Division, Drama Club, Thespian President, AFS Club, Best Supporting Actress, Benny Herrick Scholarship, Best Thespian Contribution
Sean Deaton—Football, Lettermen's Club, French Club, "A Phoenix Too Frequent", Blue Spotlights
John DeFreece—Student Council, Intramurals, Grin-In, Blue Spotlights, Prom Committee
Vicki DeHaven—Pep Club, Home Harvesters
Donna Deister—Art Club, Spanish Club, AFS Club, Treblettes, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Board of Trustees Scholarship to Maple Woods
Steve Delphia—Football, Wrestling, Lettermen's Club, Intramurals, Mr. Wrestling
Ronna Denton—Intramurals
Sandi Derus—French Club
Debra Dickerson—GAA, German Club, "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Judd Dickson—German Club, AFS Club, Intramurals
Linda Dieckman—Pep Club, Home Harvesters, Intramurals, Womens' Auxiliary of Clay County Society's Scholarship
Linda Disharoon—Pep Club, Band
Ed Donner—Intramurals, Track, Football
Mary Lee Douglass—Orchestra
Linda Dowell—Pep Club, A Cappella, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Spanish Club, Special Award to NWMS at Maryville
Larry Dramann—Football, Baseball, Wrestling, Intramurals
Charley Duckworth—Artwork Bronze Medal
Mark Dudley—Basketball, Log Staff, Orchestra
Jane Duncan—Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Pep Club Vice-President, AFS Club, McCall's Fashion Reporter, Baccalaureate Committee, Prom Committee, Junior Class Grin-In, "Oklahoma", Glee Club
Lynn Duncan—Pep Club, Spanish Club
Richard Dye—Student Council, Wrestling
John Elliott—Thespians, French Club, Drama Club, "Oklahoma", Best Actor, Benny Herrick Scholarship
Kevin Estes—Cross Country, Track, Intramurals
Bill Evans—French Club, Football, Wrestling, Intramurals
Jamie Evans—Thespians, Drama Club, NFL, Art Club, "Barefoot in the Park", Student Director of "Three in the Round", Best Acting Newcomer, Avila College Dramatics Scholarship, Best Acting Newcomer
Linda Ewing—Pep Club, German Club, AFS Club, Junior Class Grin-In, Cambia Staff, Reunion Committee, Prom Committee, OPHS Club, "Oklahoma"
Richard Felton—German Club, Track, Intramurals
Vickie Fish—GAA, Glee Club
Dianne Gambreal—Student Council, A Cappella, "Oklahoma"
Ted Gault—Key Club, Intramurals, Spanish Club, Junior Achievement, Categories, NFL, Weather Club, National Merit Letter of Commendation
Marcia Gehrs—French Club, Pep Club, Avon Advisory Panel, Soroptimist Club Scholarship, Missouri Curator's Scholarship, Academic Scholarship from Missouri Western, Crisco Award
Linda George—Pep Club, Spanish Club, AFS Club, Drama Club, Student Council
Karen Gercken—Majorette, French Club, Pep Club, Co-ed Correspondant, "Critic's Choice", Modern Dance Club Vice-President, Special Award to NWMS at Maryville, *Kansas City Star* Scholarship
Mary Gladow—Pep Club, Home Harvesters, Intramurals, Outstanding Home Economics Senior
Deborah Glenn—French Club, Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society
Vicki Godfrey—Pep Club
Hans Gold—German Club, German Club Scholarship
Martha Gorsage—Health Careers Club
Joyce Graham—"Music Man"
Debbie Grantham—GAA, Intramurals, French Club, AFS Club, "Critic's Choice", Log Staff, Special Award to NWMS at Maryville
Diana Gray—Pep Club
Kathy Gray—Pep Club, French Club, Art Club, Sets for Musicals
Sue Gray—Pep Club, Art Club, "Carousel", "Music Man"
Greg Griffith—Wrestling, Track, Gymnastics Team, Student Council, Blue Spotlights, "Barefoot in the Park", "Three in the Round", FCA
Ken Grove—"Music Man", Intramurals
Debbie Guthrie—Spanish Club, AFS Club, Pep Club, Cambia Staff Co-Editor, Senior Gift Committee, Prom Committee, Junior Class Grin-In, I Dare You Award
Mike Haer—Tennis, Cambia Staff, Band, Pep Band, Oak Street Singers, Lettermen's Club, Blue Spotlights, "Music Man", Senior Class Grin-In
Debby Hall—AFS Club, German Club, Co-ed Volleyball, Russian Club, Academic Scholarship to Southwestern College of Winfield, Kansas
Richard Hanchette—Football, A Cappella
Candy Hargrove—Pep Club, Log Staff, Co-ed Volleyball
Donna Harris—Pep Club
Sandra Harris—GAA, Spanish Club, AFS Club
Ron Hartman—Basketball, Cross Country, Golf
Julie Harward—Pep Club, Drama Club, "Critic's Choice", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", "Barefoot in the Park", Thespians, Blue Spotlights, Glee Club
Jim Hash—Student Council, Track, Grin-In, Chess Club Parliamentarian, Model U.N., Political Science Club President, IS, Highest Point Senior in NFL
Jan Havercamp—Pep Club, GAA, German Club, Weather Club, Intramurals, Blue Spotlights
Margie Haynes—Pep Club
Mark Haynes—Art Club
Carolyn Hays—Tri-M, Madrigal, Cambia Staff, A Cappella, "Oklahoma"
Nan Hays—Drama Club President, Thespians Secretary, "Critic's Choice", "Stop the Stage, I Want To Get On", "Music Man", "Barefoot in the Park", "Three in the Round", "Oklahoma", Best Technical Director, Best Thespian Contribution
Helen Helmer—"Carousel", "Music Man", Glee Club
Karen Henderson—Student Council, Pep Club, French Club, Health Careers Club Vice-President, A Cappella, Grin-In, "Carousel", "Music Man"
Suanne Hendricks—Health Careers Club Secretary, Glee Club
Richard Henry—Football Scholarship to University of Missouri at Columbia
Steve Hepner—Intramurals
Steve Hester—Debate Club President, NFL President, AFS Club, Senior Class Grin-In, Degree of Merit of NFL

Janet Hightower—Student Council, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Varsity Cheerleader, Pep Club, French Club, Cambia Queen Candidate
Janice Hinton—German Club, Pep Club, AFS Club, Drama Club, Crew for "Three in the Round"
Marlene Hodo—GAA Secretary and President, Intramurals, "Carousel"
Nancy Hornaday—Orchestra, Pep Club
Jay Howard—Intramurals, A Cappella, "Oklahoma"
Donna Iske—"Music Man", Health Careers Club, Glee Club
Debbie Ittner—Pep Club, AFS Club, French Club, Pom Pon, Junior Class Grin-In, Blue Spotlights, Cambia Queen Candidate
Diana Jackson—Pep Club, AFS Club, AFS Sister, Spanish Club Program Chairman, "Oklahoma"
Jim Jackson—Thespians, "Three in the Round", Senior Class Grin-In, "Oklahoma"
Joe Jahrling—German Club, Marching Band, Log Staff, Lettermen's Club, Radio Club
Linda Jenkins—Sophomore, Junior and Senior Class Treasurer, Pep Club Sectional Officer, Student Council, German Club, Bannerette, Homecoming Attendant
Belinda Jent—Pep Club, AFS Club
Anna Johnson—GAA Sergeant-at-arms, Drama Club, Spanish Club, Grin-In, "Barefoot in the Park", "Three in the Round"
Brian Jones—Wrestling, Gymnastics Team, Blue Spotlights
Dave Jones—Football, Wrestling, Baseball, Lettermen's Club, Intramurals
Kathy Jones—French Club Secretary, Art Club, Sets for "Oklahoma", Missouri Curator's Scholarship, Silver Pallet Art Award
Elaine Jordan—Weather Club, GAA, Intramurals, Blue Spotlights, Log Staff
Francie Karther—Spanish Club, Pep Club, "Oklahoma", "Music Man"
Janet Kavanaugh—"Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Oak Street Singers, Bel Cantos, A Cappella, Young Set
Patty Keeler—Pep Club, "Music Man"
Kathy Keesee—German Club Sergeant-at-arms, Pep Club, A Cappella, Treblettes, Oak Street Singers, Blue Spotlights, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", OPHS Club, Board of Trustees Scholarship to Maple Woods, Key Club Scholarship, German Club Scholarship, Liberty Belle Business Women's Association Scholarship
Carolyn Keith—Pep Club, AFS Club, Grin-In
Brooks Kenagy—AFS Club, Intramurals, Cambia Staff, Senior Class Grin-In, Good Grooming Winner
Sarah Kent—Cambia Staff, AFS Club Treasurer, Pep Club Sectional President, German Club, Pit Orchestra for "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Junior Class Grin-In, Prom Committee, Commencement Committee
Betty Kimsey—Pep Club, "Carousel", "Music Man"
Karl Kingsley—Basketball, Tennis, Lettermen's Club
Mack Kitchens—Wrestling, Junior Achievement, Lettermen's Club
David Kite—French Club, Lettermen's Club, Cross Country, Track, Football, Intramurals, Coed Volleyball
LaRu Klang—GAA Vice-President, Americans Aboard to Paraguay, AFS Club, Pep Club, Junior Miss Spirit, Student Council, Drama Club, Thespians, Cambia Staff, Junior and Senior Class Grin-In, "Critic's Choice", "Music Man", "Barefoot in the Park", "Three in the Round", Missouri Curator's Scholarship, Academic Scholarship to Christian College
Pam Klingele—GAA, French Club, German Club, AFS Club, NFL, Debate Club, Art Club, Pep Club, Student Council, Intramurals, Degree of Merit in NFL
Don Knecht—"Carousel"
Rick Knoch—Junior and Senior Class Grin-In, Blue Spotlights, Avon Advisory Panel, Student Council, Art Club President, AFS Club, Log Staff Editor, Sets for "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Artwork Bronze Medal
Gina Koba—Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Pom Pon, German Club, Pep Club, AFS Club, Prom Committee
Ron Kosman—Band, Pep Band, German Club
Diana Kouns—German Club, Orchestra, Pep Club
Carol Kraft—"Carousel", "Music Man"
Charles Kraft—Board of Trustees Scholarship to Maple Woods
Larry Kuhn—Football, Baseball, Intramurals, Gymnastics Team
Elaine Laird—Pep Club, Spanish Club, AFS Club Secretary
Sammy Laffoon—Student Council, Tennis
Charlene Lassiter—GAA Secretary, AFS Club, AFS Sister, Pep Club, Intramurals, Treblettes, Madrigal, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Kansas City Association of Trust and Foundations Scholarship
Luanne Laursen—Pep Club Sectional Officer, French Club Secretary and President, AFS Club, Blue Spotlights
Debra Ledgerwood—A Cappella, Best in Show for 68-69 Art Show
Diana Leipard—Pep Club, Prom Committee, GAA, AFS Club, "Oklahoma"
Steve Lemp—Tri-M, Pep Band, Stage Band, Pit Orchestra for "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Karen Lenz—Pep Club, "Carousel", Glee Club
Karen Lewis—Pep Club Sectional and Historian, French Club Secretary, Student Council, OPHS Club, Student Director of Blue Spotlights, Prom Committee
Carol Linard—Home Harvesters
Bob Lindsey—German Club
Nancy Little—Pep Club, Spanish Club
Donna Logan—Pep Club, French Club, AFS Club, Drama Club
Bill Lucas—Football, Intramurals
David Lytle—Track, Lettermen's Club
Rodney Maag—Football, Wrestling
Marilyn MacDonald—Pep Club
Dave Macken—Intramurals
Jack Maib—Golf
Susan Malone—A Cappella, Intramurals, "Stop the Stage, I Want to Get On", "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Tri-M, GAA, Treblettes, Madrigal
Jim Mangold—Tennis, Intramurals, Basketball, Lettermen's Club, Blue Spotlights, German Club
Linda Marshall—Pep Club, AFS Club, Avon Advisory Panel, Senior Class Grin-In, OPHS Club, French Club, Home Harvesters, Co-ed Volleyball
Melody Martin—Pep Club, AFS Club, Pom Pon, Prom Committee, OPHS Club, Junior and Senior Class Grin-In, "Barefoot in the Park", Blue Spotlights, Winter Sports Queen Attendant "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Kansas City Star Scholarship
Pam Martin—Pep Club, "Carousel"
Ginger Mathia—Pep Club, Art Club
Kathy Mathis—Pit Orchestra for "Music Man", "Oklahoma", AFS Club, French Club, Tri-M, Marching Band, Pep Band, Junior Class Grin-In, Blue Spotlights
Steve Mathis—"Carousel"

Seniors initiate novel decorations

Besides partaking in club and sport events, other extra-curricular activities expended much of the student's time. Although not school-sponsored, the rage for T.P.'ing hit Oak Park students. A conglomeration of pastels, flowers, and prints decorated trees and homes of students and teachers alike. When the Mondays rolled around, the T.P.'ing stories grew wild as versions of the houses that received eighty or so rolls were spread. The colorful additions were done in good, clean fun, however, and provided an interesting pastime for many students.

T-shirts flaunt members' pride

With pride as the key, students went all out to show who they were and what they belonged to. T-shirts typified the involvement fad. Students could be seen with shirts displaying emblems of clubs, sports, newspaper or yearbook staffs, singing groups, in addition to the Oak Park name. The shirts symbolized a part of the enthusiasm found where students felt they really belonged to something and could proudly display that they did.

Debi Mattox—Pom Pon, "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Oak Street Singers, Pep Club, Blue Spotlights
Danny May—Intramurals, Glee Club
Mike Mayabb—Band, Pep Band, Lettermen's Club, Wrestling Manager
Karl Mayo—Intramurals
Don McArthur—Intramurals
Shirley McCormick—Pep Club, Drama Club, German Club, AFS Club, GAA, "Barefoot in the Park", Blue Spotlights, "Three in the Round"
Kevin McTaggart—Junior Class Grin-In, Blue Spotlights, "Three in the Round", "Oklahoma", Prom Committee, Intramurals, Gymnastics Team
Mike McDaniel—Student Council, Lettermen's Club, Football, Basketball, Baseball, Blue Spotlights, "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Grin-In, Athlete of the Year, Football Scholarship to University of Kansas
Vicki McDonald—Pep Club, Log Staff, Junior Class Grin-In
Phil McGee—Wrestling, Football, Lettermen's Club
Lee Messenger—German Club, Band, Pep Band, John Phillip Sousa Award
Candy Metzler—Pep Club, German Club, AFS Club
Ann Meyer—Pep Club
Gene Meyer—Baseball, Football, Basketball, Student Council, Junior and Senior Class President, Lettermen's Club
Marsha Miller—Pep Club, Blue Spotlights, A Cappella
Randy Miller—Football, Track, Art Club, Drama Club, Intramurals, Orchestra, A Cappella, Cambia Staff, Lettermen's Club, FCA, Grin-In, Blue Spotlights, "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Bob Minter—Senior Class Sergeant-at-arms, Lettermen's Club, Football, Baseball, Mr. Baseball
Kevin Moore—German Club Parliamentarian
Debbi Morgan—"Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Patty Morton—Honorable Mention in National Art Awards Contest
Debbie Moss—Pep Club, French Club, A Cappella, Oak Street Singers, Blue Spotlights, "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Bill Murray—FCA, Football, Basketball, Golf, Lettermen's Club, St. Pat's King Candidate, "Oklahoma", Grin-In, Log Staff, A Cappella, Athletic Scholarship to Air Force Academy Prep School
Sharlan Myers—Pep Club
Eddie Nash—Key Club, Radio Club
Don Neal—Intramurals
Jim Nelson—Football, Track, Lettermen's Club, Junior Achievement, Blue Spotlights
Vincent Neumann—Radio Club, OPHS Club, Intramurals, "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Missouri Curator's Scholarship, Board of Trustees Scholarship to Maple Woods, Cam Hanna Youth Bowler Scholarship
Kathy Nielsen—Pep Club, AFS Club, A Cappella, Grin-In, "Music Man"
Diana Noel—Pep Club, "Music Man"
Bill Noonan—Intramurals
Diana Nordyke—Pep Club, Bannerette, Student Council
Liz Nye—Pep Club, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Varsity Cheerleader, Prom Committee, Homecoming Attendant, Student Council
John Orlich—Tennis, Lettermen's Club
Tim Osburn—German Club, Radio Club
Jill Oswalt—Pep Club
Jill Owens—Thespians, Pep Club, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Importance of Being Earnest", "Rebecca", "Stop the Stage, I Want to Get On", "Critic's Choice"
Anita Parvin—Pep Club, Home Harvesters, Intramurals, Log Staff, AFS Club
Debbie Pasley—Pep Club, AFS Club
Lynda Patterson—Pep Club, AFS Club
Doug Paxton—Intramurals
Brenda Peart—Pep Club, "Carousel", "Music Man"
Rose Pennetti—Art Club
Janice Penrose—German Club
Eva Perko—AFS Student From Switzerland, AFS Club, Pep Club, "Oklahoma"
Kathy Peters—Art Club
Carol Pettibone—German Club, Pop Orchestra, Pit Orchestra for "Oklahoma"
Karl Pfankuch—German Club, Football, Lettermen's Club
LaVerne Phillips—Student Council, A Cappella
Kathy Pickett—Pep Club
Dalene Pisha—GAA, AFS Club
Shirley Playter—Missouri Curator's Scholarship
Roy Powell—Intramurals, Art Club
Peggy Prucha—Junior Class Grin-In, Cambia Staff, Prom Committee, Pep Club Sectional President, AFS Club President and Historian, Spanish Club Treasurer, Cambia Queen
Mark Quigley—Basketball, Baseball, Lettermen's Club, German Club, Student Council Sergeant-at-arms, Mr. Basketball
Dan Raines—"Oklahoma", A Cappella
Steve Ramsey—Student Council, Drama Club Sergeant-at-arms, Thespian Sergeant-at-arms, A Cappella Co-President, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Football, Wrestling, Lettermen's Club Treasurer, Senior Class Vice-President, Junior Class Grin-In, "Evening of Drama", Tri-M Scholarship, Football Scholarship to Washburn University
John Ratcliffe—German Club, Student Council
Debbie Rector—"Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Bel Cantoes, Oak Street Singers, A Cappella Secretary, Business Manager of "Oklahoma"
Richard Reed—Intramural Student Commissioner, German Club President, Log Staff, AFS Club, Basketball, Americans Abroad Student, Junior Class Grin-In, Missouri Association of Student Councils Representative, German Club Scholarship
Russ Reese—Pep Band, "Music Man", NFL
Bill Reid—Drum Major
Sandy Reust—Pep Club, "Carousel"
Sam Rigdon—Football, Wrestling, Track, Lettermen's Club, Blue Spotlights, "Music Man"
Jim Robbins—Bel Cantoes, Madrigal, "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Bill Robinson—Track, Lettermen's Club, Pep Band, Intramurals, Mr. Track
Maria Roque—Pep Club, Art Club Secretary, Set Crew for "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma" AFS Club, Intramurals
Greg Ruder—Basketball, Baseball, Lettermen's Club, St. Pat's King Candidate
Sharon Rueger—French Club, Russian Club, Pep Club
Colleen Saathoff—"Oklahoma", Glee Club
Rocky Sagebiel—Drama Club, Thespians, NFL, Intramurals, Baseball Manager
Vince Saladino—Football, Track, Intramurals
Mary Lynn Saling—Pep Club, GAA, Intramurals
Linda Sanders—Pep Club, Tri-M Secretary, German Club Historian, OPHS Club, Oak Street Singers, A Cappella, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Treblettes, Blue Spotlights, Missouri Curator's Scholarship
Sammy Sanders—Baseball, Football, Junior and Senior Class Grin-In
Angie Santa Maria—Pep Club, A Cappella, Winter Sports Queen Attendant
David Scharhag—Art Club, Radio Club, Student Council
Terri Schmitz—Pep Club
Nancy Schurle—German Club, Pit Orchestra for "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Marcia Seever—Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society, OPHS Club, Pep Band, Band, Junior Achievement, "Music Man", Junior Achievement Scholarship
Debbie Sells—Student Council, Pep Club Sectional President, Homecoming Attendant, Bannerette
Gail Seney—Varsity Cheerleader, Pep Club, Grin-In, Winter Sports Queen Attendant, AFS Club
Lloyd Shelton—A Cappella
Deborah Shoffner—Pep Club
Ken Shoffner—Art Club Treasurer, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Intramurals, Art Work Bronze Medal
Carol Shomer—Art Club, French Club, Missouri Curator's Scholarship
Jerry Short—German Club, NFL, AFS Club, Golf, Cambia Staff, Degree of Merit in NFL
Corrie Sievers—Pep Club, Spanish Club, "Importance of Being Earnest", GAA, Intramurals

Lori Sievers—Pep Club, Spanish Club, GAA, Intramurals
Mike Skaggs—Track, Football, Lettermen's Club Vice-President, Student Council, Blue Spotlights, "Oklahoma"
Carolyn Skinner—Pep Club, Drama Club, AFS Club, Treblettes, A Cappella, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Vickie Smart—German Club
Nancy Smemo—Tri-M Vice-President, AFS Club, Pep Club, Art Club, Band, Orchestra, Stage Band, Pop and Pit Orchestra, "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Tri-M Scholarship
Beth Smith—Art Club, A Cappella, Drama Club
Bob Smith—Log Staff, German Club, Basketball, Lettermen's Club, FCA, AFS Club, Senior Class Grin-In, Intramurals
Frances Smith—Junior Achievement
Linda Smith—Pep Club Sectional Secretary, Spanish Club, Prom Committee, Grin-In, AFS Club, Baccalaureate Committee
Mary Smith—Pep Club
Ray Smith—French Club Vice-President, Baccalaureate Committee, Junior and Senior Class Grin-In, AFS Club, Stage Manager Blue Spotlights, Student Council, Prom Committee, Co-ed Volleyball, Model U.N., IS, I Dare You Award, Mr. Norman Award
Susie Smith—Pep Club, Co-ed Volleyball, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Varsity Cheerleader, AFS Club, Intramurals, GAA Historian and Treasurer, Prom Committee, Cambia Queen Candidate
Vicki Smith—German Club, OPHS Club
Marsha Smyth—Pep Club
Debbie Sons—Pep Club, Missouri Curator's Scholarship
Betsi Sowerwine—Pep Club, Co-ed Volleyball, Glee Club
John Spencer—Football
Mike Stapleton—Track, Football, Intramurals, "Music Man"
Dianne Stark—A Cappella, Co-ed Volleyball
Kathy Steele—Pep Club, AFS Club, German Club
Sharon Stephens—Pep Club, Spanish Club, GAA Chaplain, Log Staff, Intramurals, Spanish Honor Society, Blue Spotlights
Paul Stevenson—Football, A Cappella, Blue Spotlights, Oak Street Singers, Madrigal, Intramurals, "Oklahoma"
Cheryl Stewart—Pep Club
Nadine Stokes—Pep Club, Spanish Club Secretary, Spanish National Honor Society, Spanish Club Scholarship
Dennis Stratton—Key Club Secretary and President, Stage Crew for "Stop the Stage, I Want To Get On" and "Music Man"
Donna Strickler—Pep Club
Bruce Talley—Spanish Club President, Spanish Club Scholarship
Sally Tague—Pep Club, AFS Club, French Club, Intramurals
Jan Taylor—A Cappella, "Carousel", Glee Club
Julie Taylor—Marching Band, Pep Band, Pit Orchestra for "Music Man", Pep Club, GAA, German Club, Glee Club
Janet Terrell—Drama Club, Pep Club, Thespians, "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Steve Thackery—"Oklahoma" Student Director, Crew for "Three in the Round", "Barefoot in the Park", "Stop the Stage, I Want To Get On", and "Music Man", Tennis, Thespians, "Carousel", A Cappella
Doug Thomas—Wrestling, Chess Club
Barb Thompson—Pep Club President, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Varsity Cheerleader, Student Council, A Cappella, "Carousel", "Music Man", Winter Sports Queen Attendant, Special Award to NWMS at Maryville
Denise Thomsen—Pep Club, Intramurals, "Carousel"
Jocelyn Thomsen—AFS Club Secretary, Treasurer and Vice-President, Pep Club Sectional Secretary and Treasurer, Junior Class Secretary, Student Council Secretary-Treasurer, Missouri Association of Student Councils Convention, French Club, Blue Spotlights, "Evening of Drama", Representative to Girls' State, Director of Junior and Senior Class Grin-In's, Homecoming Attendant, Miss Norma Award
Mary Timmons—Pep Club Sectional Secretary, German Club, Glee Club
Carol Troxel—Pep Club, Glee Club
Terri Trindle—Pep Club, "Carousel"
Brian Tubbesing—Chess Club, Pop Orchestra, "Oklahoma"
Sharon Tucker—Art Club, Pep Club, A Cappella, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma"
Steve VanKeirsbilck—Student Council, Pit Orchestra for "Carousel" and "Music Man"
Debbie Wadman—Drama Club, AFS Club, Pep Club, German Club Secretary, NFL, Debate Club, Categories, German Club Scholarship
Per Wahlstrom—AFS Student from Sweden, AFS Club, Student Council, Tennis, Cambia Staff, German Club, French Club, Baccalaureate Committee
Debbie Wakefield—Pep Club, AFS Club, French Club, Drama Club, Thespian Historian, Madrigal, A Cappella, Stage Manager for "Critic's Choice", Assistant Director for "Music Man", "Three in the Round", "Oklahoma", Best Contribution to Thespians, Crew for "Stop the Stage, I Want to Get On", "Barefoot in the Park", Best Thespian Contribution
Alan Walker—Intramurals, Grin-In
E. J. Walker—Football, Track, Tennis
Peggy Ware—Pep Club, Co-ed Volleyball, Junior Class Grin-In, French Club
Michelle Warner—Pep Club
Les Weaver—Debate Scholarship to Southwest Missouri State College, Outstanding Senior Debator
Judy Wehling—French Club, AFS Club, OPHS Club, Pep Club, Intramurals
Kathy Welch—GAA
Sherrie Welch—GAA, Art Club
Greg Wells—"Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", A Cappella, Bel Cantoes, Madrigal, Oak Street Singers, Outstanding A Cappella Member, Spanish Club, OPHS Club
Mitchel Welty—German Club, Chess Club, AFS Club, Intramurals, Track
Gayle West—Pep Club Sectional Secretary, Bannerette, A Cappella, Prom Committee, "Carousel", "Music Man", Winter Sports Queen
Mary Wenski—Regents Scholarship to NWMS at Maryville
Peggy Westbay—Log Staff, Pep Club, Treblettes, Madrigal, "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Spanish Club, Spanish National Honor Society, GAA, Intramurals, A Cappella, IS, Missouri Curator's Scholarship
Joann Westfall—Head Majorette, Student Council, Sophomore Class Treasurer, Senior Class Secretary, Homecoming Attendant, Cambia Staff, "Carousel", "Music Man", "Oklahoma", Modern Dance Club President, Pep Club, Prom Committee, Baccalaureate Committee, A Cappella, Blue Spotlights
Gloria Wey—Intramurals, AFS Club
Susan Whitlow—Spanish Club Vice-President, Spanish National Honor Society, Pit Orchestra for "Carousel" and "Music Man", OPHS Club, Chamber Orchestra, Tri-M President, A Cappella Secretary, Orchestra, Bel Cantos, Cambia Staff, DAR Outstanding Citizenship Award, Missouri Curator's Scholarship, National Merit Letter of Commendation, Betty Crocker State Homemaker of Tomorrow, Achievement Award to William Jewell College for Meritorious Scholastic Achievement, Tri-M Scholarship
Chris Wiley—Pep Club
Dave Wilkerson—Cross Country, Basketball, Track
Debby Wilkerson—"Carousel"
Beverly Williams—GAA, Intramurals
Greg Williams—French Club, Key Club
Kathy Williams—Art Club, German Club, Pep Club, Log Staff, "Oklahoma", A Cappella
Kim Williams—Football, Track, Intramurals
Lynn Willis—Pep Club, Miss Norma Northman, Art Club Treasurer, German Club, Grin-In, Blue Spotlights
Anne Willoughby—Marching Band, Pep Band, "Music Man"
Penny Wilson—Spanish Club, GAA, Intramurals, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Cambia Queen Candidate, Pep Club Secretary, Student Council, Blue Spotlights, AFS Club, Modern Dance Club, "Oklahoma", Prom Committee
Terri Wilson—German Club, Log Staff
Jean Winn—Pep Club, "Oklahoma"
Terry Wolfe—Board of Trustees Scholarship to Maple Woods
Jeff Wolfer—Spanish Club, Tri-M
Stan Woodcock—Intramurals, Chess Club
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Bicycles dominate parking lot scene

Concern over environmental pollution stirred the citizens of Oak Park to action, and prompted a special day dedicated to awareness of the problem. "Earth Day" began in co-ordination with the national week-long ecology study, also called an environmental teach-in. Introduced in student council by Ray Smith, the program met with faculty approval and the day's activities began its development towards introducing students to the pollution problem.

As dawn broke on the morning of "Earth Day", the figures of ecology minded students lined the streets as they walked, jogged, or skated to school. Few students could be seen emerging from school busses and a large number of cars that usually jam the parking lot were replaced by bicycles and scooters. Teachers and administrators also joined the foot-sore students and kept with the pedestrian aspect of the day.

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Joining the band wagon that swept the entire country, Oak Park took advantage of "Earth Day" and did its part to fight the encroaching forces of pollution. Concerned and more aware of the destruction befalling their natural environment, students sprang to the call and charged into their first "Earth Day" wearing various modes of work clothes and brandishing rags, brooms, and soap, ready for a day of work. Against this heavily armed force of broom pushing and soap scrubbing students, the dastardly forces of pollution met with capitulation in the school making the ecology-based day a success.

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Also enlightening the day's roster of events, a morning assembly augmented the clean-up and ecological aspects of the day. The morning assembly witnessed the musical repertoire of Those Three Plus One, along with a talk from Neal Jenkins, a member of the Missouri Conservation Commission. The fellowship and freedom felt throughout the day encouraged people to become involved with the project. In addition to uniting for a clean school, many smiling faces and a distinct lack of cigarette smoke marked a welcome change. A perfect weather report provided everyone with a first hand example of the benefits of clean air, and many students took advantage of this by enjoying the open air courtyard and the Oak Grove Park.

Closing the day's activities was an assembly featuring anti-pollution skits, songs, and even dance numbers put on by individual students and clubs.

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Earth Day closes in spirit, unity, peace

After the fun and laughter of the assembly, the students and teachers became serious as at a student's suggestion everyone joined hands in a friendship circle to sing the alma mater. An appropriate closing for the day that cleaned up Oak Park, the school song prompted teachers and students alike to unite in a feeling of peace and companionship.

The unplanned singing of the school song brought tears and smiles of happiness to both students and teachers. The sincere warmth and good feeling was felt even as students journeyed home on foot, on bikes and on scooters.

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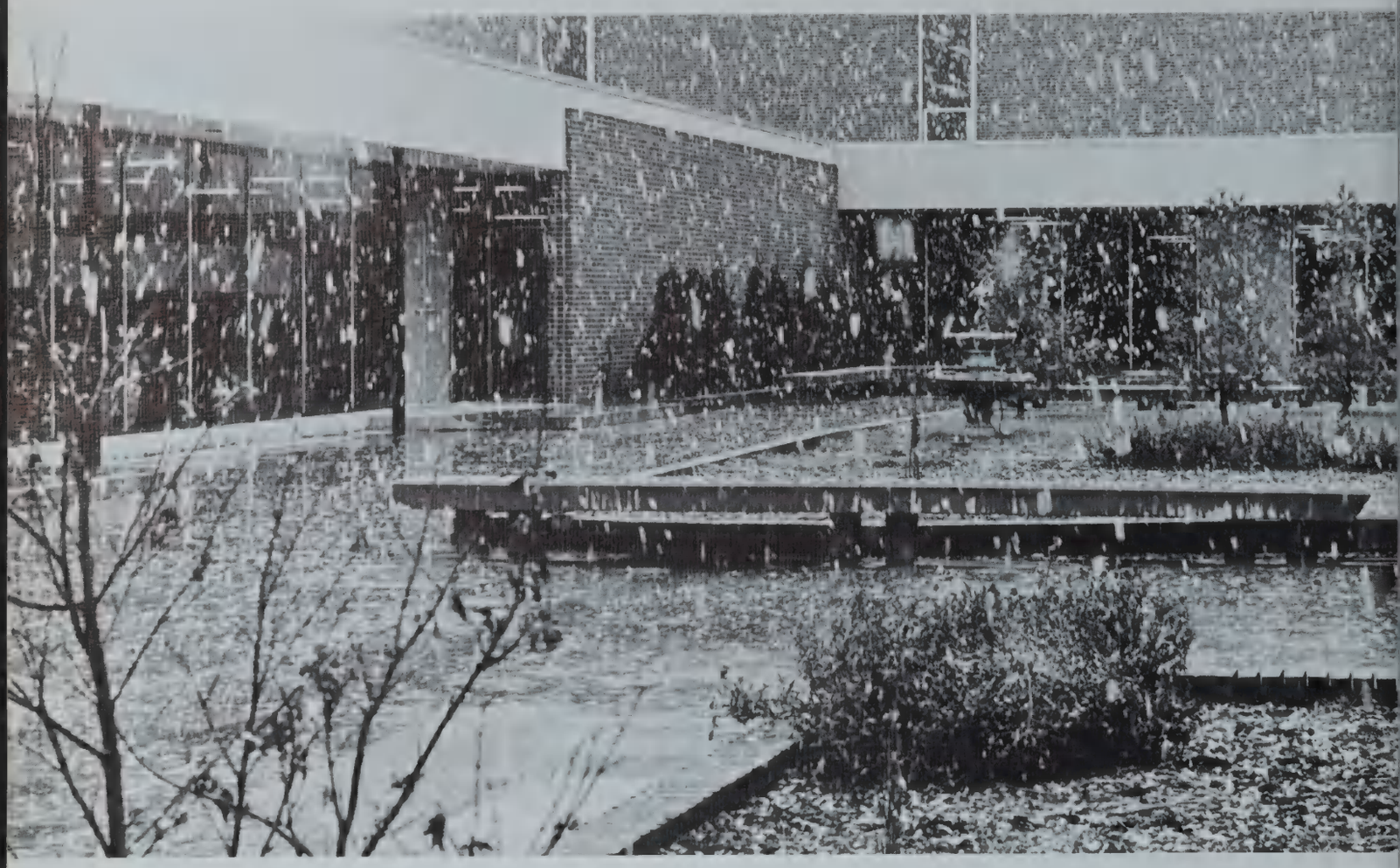
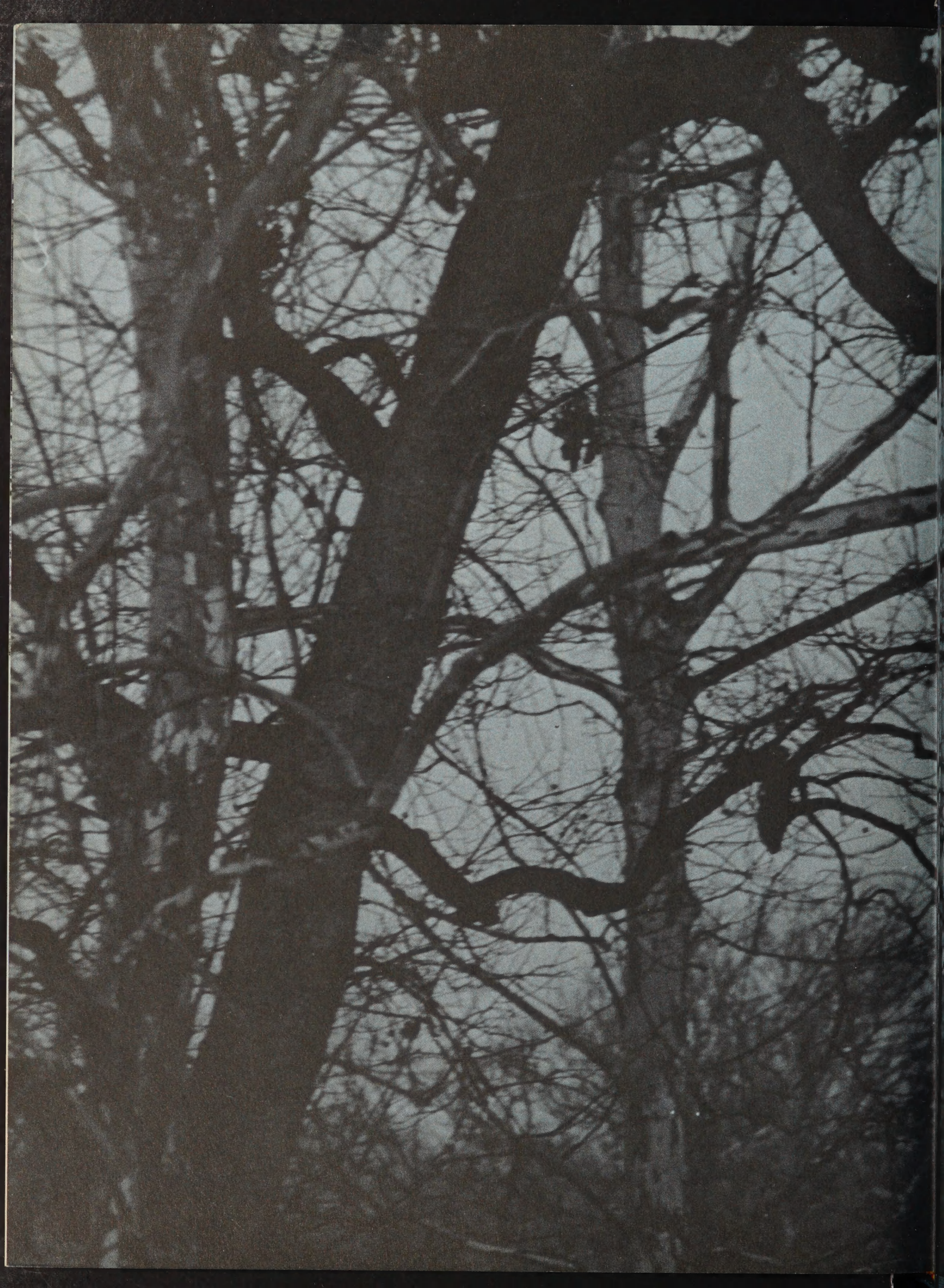
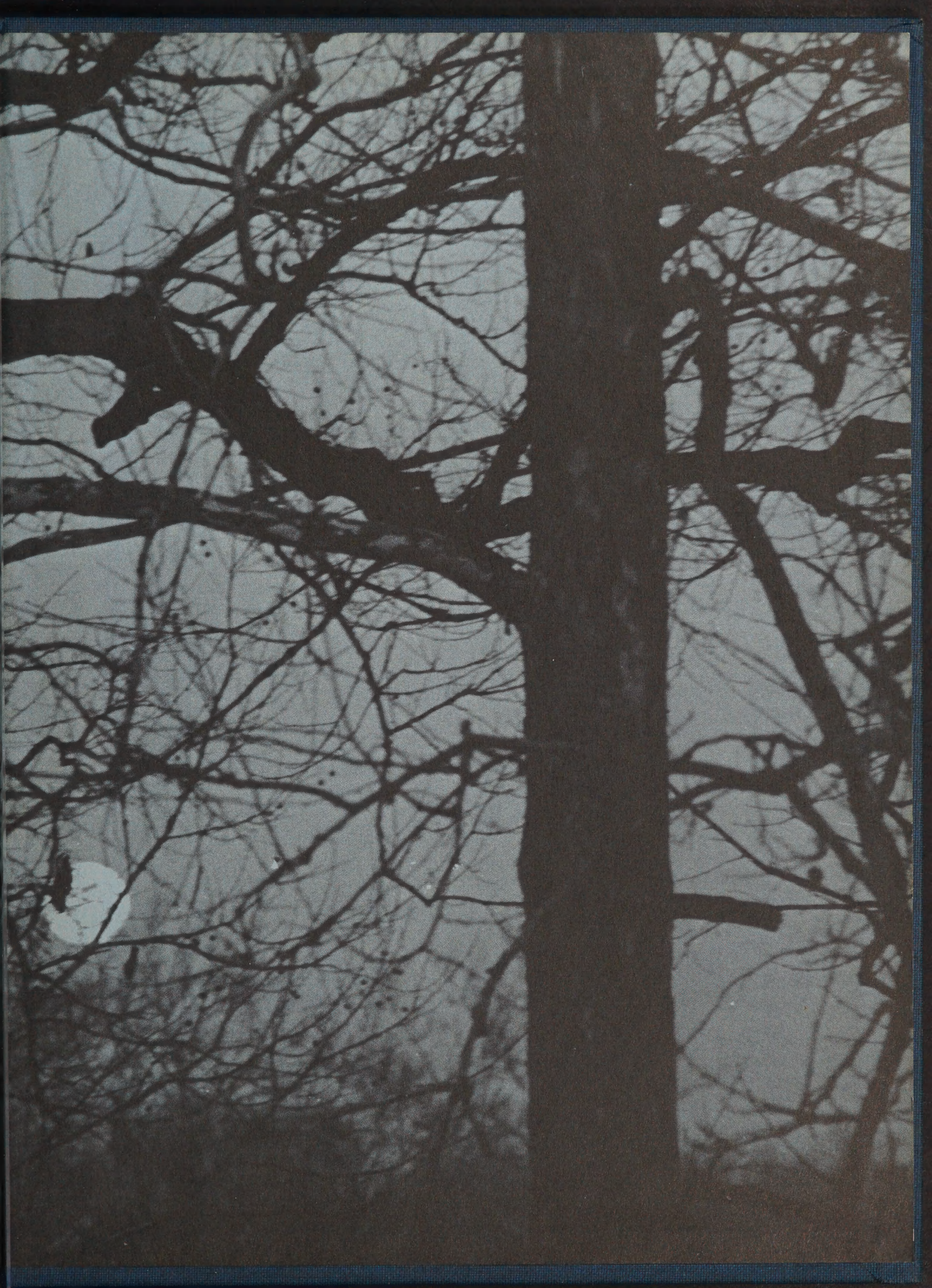


With the year now part of history, the individual student who approached Oak Park with some uncertainty has now become a more mature and individualistic person. The seniors said their last good-byes to a year of memories filled with success, failure, joy, and sometimes despair, yet looked forward to a new experience in life at college, work or marriage. The cycle continues with people going and people coming, but each year is a special year in itself because it can never be changed or repeated. The comparison of the oak tree again exemplifies so clearly and simply the end of one year and the beginning of another. As the older leaves drop off the tree, they become part of life in many, varied places. Again the trees bud and grow preparing for another fruitful year, as Oak Park looks forward to continued excitement, change, and progress. As the year ends, the cycle begins a new.

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